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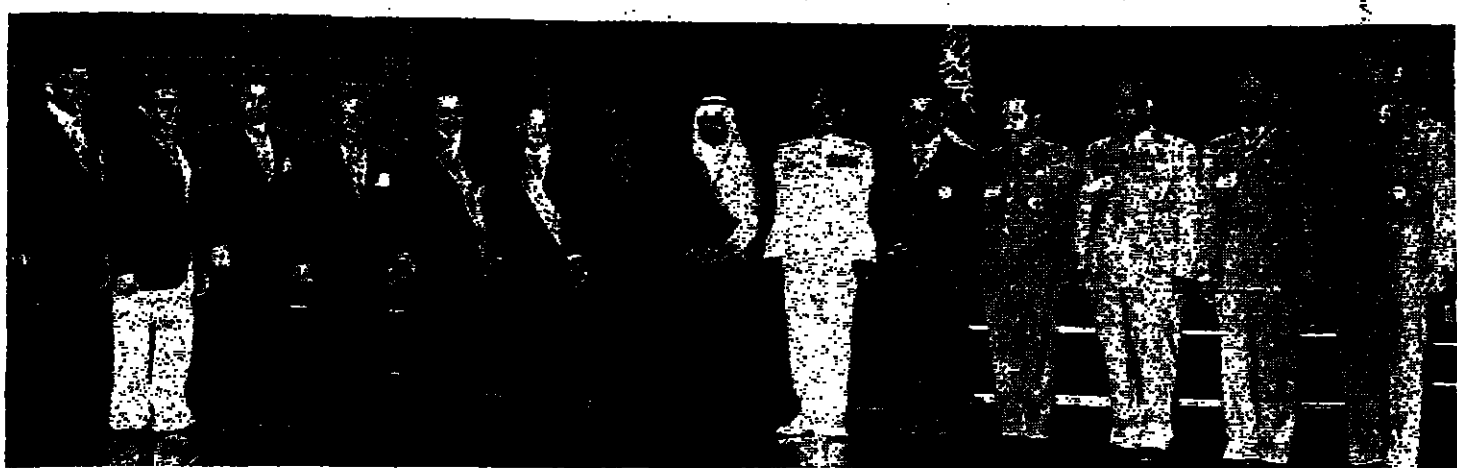


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DECORATED: The Republic of China's Foreign Minister Y.S. Tsiang (seventh from left) and Chief of the General Staff Adm. Soong Chung-Chih (sixth from right) has decorated 11 members of the official delegation of Interior Minister Prince Naif bin Abdul Aziz (seventh from right), at the ministry of foreign affairs in Taipei. (CNA photo)

### Regazzoni sweeps race

## Saudia car takes Silverstone

By Nigel Harvey  
London Bureau

SILVERSTONE, England July 14 — Sandia's Clay Regazzoni shot through the silver stone finishing line to win the Marlboro British Grand Prix and a meeting dominated by the Al Bilad-Saudia racing team Saturday.

The Saudia-Williams formula one car came in with a tremendous 24.27 second lead over number two man Rene Arnoux, driving a turbo-charged Renault.

Regazzoni broke James Hunt's 1977 lap record covering the circuit in one minute 14.4 seconds at an amazing average speed of 141.87 miles per hour.

Until the 40th lap of the 68 lap race, the team looked like pulling both first and second places.

Regazzoni's team mate Alan Jones had produced a stunning performance from the pole position until engine problems forced him to retire from the front with a cloud of burning oil and steam pouring from his car.

Mechanics have yet to pinpoint the problem with Jones's Cosgrove engine. It was probably a leaking water-pump.

Arnoux's team mate Jean Pierre Jabouille had led Regazzoni in second place before the Frenchman went in for a tire change in the 18th lap and caught his stabilizing wing on the compression cable and broke it to put him out of the race.

After Jones dropped out, Regazzoni remained the undisputed leader until the end. Arnoux hung on some distance behind him, pushed by Jean Pierre Jarier in third place with a Tyrrell.



GRAND PRIX: Alan Jones driving his Saudia / Williams Grand Prix car during practice.

While Saudia's number one driver Jones went home early and dejected, Regazzoni was overjoyed as he accepted the race trophy, diplomatically sipping orange juice in preference to the traditional bottle of champagne.

In the pits Saturday was the team's prime sponsor, Prince Muhammad bin Fahd. This was his first grand prix and he told "Arab News" afterwards that he would definitely continue sponsoring his grand prix team.

"We would like to introduce racing to the country," he added, "and see what the reaction is. We might be able to start something, smaller in the Kingdom with time."

preceded by a visit by Deputy Prime Minister Joseph Cassar.

Mintoff is now expected complete arrangements with Saudi Arabia and possibly Kuwait to enable Malta to meet its growing fuel requirements.

Libya, which supplies Malta with fuel at cheap rates, is not meeting Malta's demands, imposed by an ever growing industrial base and tourism. Last month Mintoff expressed serious concern about the gap between Libyan oil supplies and Malta's needs.

"We are doing our best to meet this situation. We do not really know how long this blessed oil will take to come," Mintoff told delegates of the Malta Labor Party's annual general conference on June 2.

He added that anybody who thought Libya and Algeria were Malta's only friends in the Arab camp would be wrong. "Results were being obtained and many were willing to help according to their means," Mintoff told the conference.

## Sandinista, PLO links reported

PARIS July 14 (AP) — A Paris-based weekly magazine on the Middle East has reported that Nicaragua's Sandinista rebels claim to have a "strong relationship" with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The magazine quoted one rebel leader, Sergio Romero, as saying: "We have a very strong relationship with the Palestine revolution and it's going to be official, especially since the PLO's No. 2 man at the United Nations, Abdul Rahman, visited Latin America two months ago."

Romero was quoted as saying Rahman visited Sandinista leaders in Costa Rica and Nicaragua, "which will lead to an official relation with the (Sandinista) Junta."

He was also quoted as saying that in the "Council of the Sandinista Revolution" there is a Palestinian-born guerrilla and the Lebanese.

Romero was also quoted as denying there was any relation between the Sandinistas and the Soviet Union.

"But I can tell you Cuba understands our situation and is giving us political help," Romero said. "The Cuban people help us but the responsibilities in Havana don't want interfere with our local revolution because Washington might take this as cause to intervene."

The publication of the alleged PLO-Sandinista connection came amid continuing mystery about an American-owned chartered cargo plane that Tunisian authorities found to be carrying 105,000 pounds of weapon claimed to belong to the PLO.

Some reports said the arms were ultimately destined for the Sandinistas. There were also reports that Palestinian commandos were aboard the plane when it made an unscheduled landing in Tunis on Tuesday.

The Tunisians confiscated the military equipment and, after negotiations with the U.S. government, allowed the four American crew men to fly the empty plane to Amsterdam.

## Iran warns Turkey voices hope but siege continues

TEHRAN, July 14 (Agencies) — The governor-general of Iran's Khuzestan province said Saturday that revolutionary guardsmen will be permitted to use "utmost strength and severity" against people suspected of trying to sabotage oil and gas installations.

The governor-general, Rear Admiral Ahmad Madani, spoke in an interview with the official Pars news agency following two fires in the past week in the oil-rich province's oil pipeline system.

The government has admitted that one of the fires was caused by sabotage, and a militant group seeking autonomy for Iran's ethnic Arabs claimed credit for both incidents.

Kurds, guards clash

Furthermore armed Kurdish demonstrators clashed with revolutionary guards in the Kurdish border town of Marivan Saturday and unconfirmed reports said between eight and 12 persons were killed.

The People's Fedayeen guerrilla group in the Kurdistan provincial capital of Sanandaj said the fighting broke out as the guards attempted to disarm the demonstrators.

A spokesman for pro-government Kurdish spiritual leader Ahmad Mofizadeh said up to 12 persons may have been killed and 40 injured.

Messages exchanged

In another development Iran's Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini has sent a "personal message" to Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported.

Tass said Iranian Ambassador Muhammad Mokri handed over the message to Soviet First Vice President V. Kuznetsov during a meeting at the Kremlin.

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ANKARA, July 14 (AP) — Palestinian attackers continued their occupation of the Egyptian Embassy here Saturday as Turkey and Egypt remained in close contact over the situation which has already cost three lives.

There were strong indications the siege might be lifted late Saturday night. The chief of the Turkish General Staff, Gen. Kenan Evren said the affair "will be over very soon."

He refused to elaborate, but the negotiations between Turkish authorities and the four members of the "Eagles of the Palestine Revolution" holding the hostages were inconclusive Saturday.

Earlier in the day there were reports that elite Turkish troops had been moved into the area around the embassy, possibly in preparation for a military operation to end the siege.

The Egyptian government has told Turkey it could use force to storm the embassy, but only as a last resort.

In Damascus the Palestine Liberation Organization disavowed the group responsible for the occupation and seizure of 18 hostages, including the Egyptian Ambassador to Turkey.

Early in the day two Egyptians jumped or fell from a window in the embassy and one of the two died later in a Turkish hospital. Tow Turkish security guards were killed as the takeover began early Friday.

Some reports said the two Egyptians were wounded by gunmen as they jumped from the window. Other reports said they had been pushed out, and still another report said the pair injured themselves in the fall.

The official Anatolia News Agency said a Turkish police chief was fired on and wounded when he entered the embassy grounds to assist the two Egyptians.

Since early morning, the attackers have been threatening by loudspeaker to "kill one hostage every five minutes" if their demands are not met.

In Cairo, Egyptian Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil said four Palestinian leaders were on their way to Ankara to try and negotiate a peaceful end to the siege. He did not identify the Palestinians.

But in Damascus the Palestine Liberation Organization denied that it had sent a delegation to Turkey to help negotiate the release of hostages held by Palestinians in the Egyptian Embassy.

"Any attempt to involve us is aimed at discrediting us and creating a split between the PLO and the Egyptian people," PLO spokesman Abdul Mohsen Abu Maizar said.

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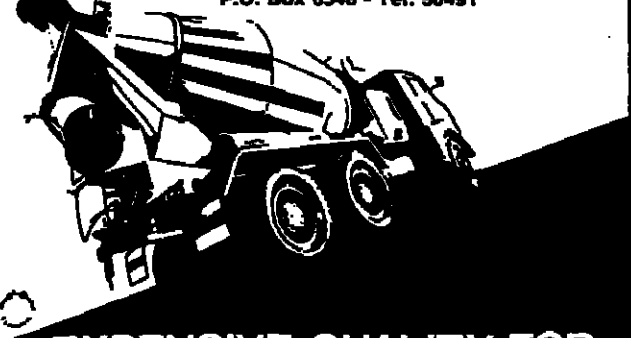
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## Esaki, Solaim hold talks

JEDDAH, July 14 (SPA) — The first talks Japanese Minister of International Trade and Industry Masumi Esaki has held on his visit to the Kingdom concerned Japan's energy requirements.

He met Dr. Solaiman A. Solaim here Saturday, and said afterward that Japanese requirements for Saudi oil were discussed. He did not elaborate, but unofficial reports from Tokyo have said Esaki wants to establish a guaranteed oil supply agreement with Saudi Arabia that might involve as

much as France's recently secured 250,000 barrels a day of guaranteed shipments.

Dr. Solaim said later that energy was the main subject of the visit, but that talks on matters concerning common trade were "positive."

Esaki expressed his admiration of the Saudi stand at the Geneva OPEC meeting at the end of last month, which he described as "fair, flexible and humanitarian" for both the industrialized and the developing world.

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## Grants Taipei petition

## Naif clears way for wedding

TAIPEI, July 14 — Prince Naif, the interior minister, seems to have brought more happiness on his recent visit to Nationalist China than is revealed by official speeches about Saudi-Chinese relations.

According to a report from the China News Agency, he gave permission to a Saudi staying in Taipei to marry a Moroccan girl, cutting through months of red tape in Riyadh.

The unidentified Saudi, a businessman, was going to apply for permission to marry the girl when he returned to the Kingdom from China. Saudi men who want to marry foreign women must first obtain leave of the Ministry of the Interior, a procedure that normally takes ten weeks.

He was staying at the Grand Hotel here, where Prince Naif and

his retinue of 20 were also put up on the prince's official visit that ended Thursday. He had not realized who his fellow guest was until he saw cars bearing the Saudi and Chinese flags.

He approached an official of the Chinese Foreign Ministry to see if he could have a chance of meeting the prince. The request was granted just before Prince Naif left the hotel to be received by President Chiang Ching-kuo.

He signed the petitioner's application to marry the Moroccan

can girl on the spot.

The Chinese official was rewarded with a bear hug by the happy man.

Prince Naif flew from Taipei to Seoul Thursday. Saturday he was taken on a three-hour tour to review a regiment of the South Korean Army stationed in the north of the country.

The tour also included a visit to the country's border with North Korea. He was accompanied by the South Korean minister of the interior.

## SR4 million train to roll across Eastern Province

JEDDAH, July 14 — A new airconditioned train especially built for Saudi Arabia will start operating between Dammam and Riyadh next Saturday.

According to local news reports, the 18-coach train has restaurants, reading rooms, and piped music for its 900 passengers.

The train was built in Switzerland at a cost of SR4 million by SBB, the Swiss state rail company, which sent a delegation to Dammam last April for talks with the Saudi General Railroad Organization. The SGGRO operates the 545-kilometer railroad between Riyadh and Dammam.

The SGGRO's director general, Faisal Shehail, said last April that his organization had installed eight new signals, operated by solar power, on the line.

Other new projects included a SR7 million automatic telephone project for the railroads and a SR9 million sewage system for the organization's housing.

Housing Minister of Communications Sheikh Hussein Mansouri Saturday opened a recreation center for railroad personnel in Dammam shortly. It will have a swimming pool, a lecture hall, football ground, tennis court, indoor games, a large hall and a library. The ceremony was held under the aegis of Eastern Province Governor Prince Abdul Mohsen ibn Jiluwi.



HONOR: Prince Naif, the interior minister, shakes hands with Chinese President Chiang Ching-kuo after the president had invested him with the Excellent Order of the Brilliant Star with the Grand Cordoon in Taipei.

## On Islamic nursing of children

## First woman wins KAAU doctorate

JEDDAH, July 14 — The first thesis ever submitted by a woman student of King Abdul Aziz University at its Mecca branch has been awarded a masters degree with distinction.

The student, Hayat Muhammad Ali Khafaji, submitted a paper on nursing a child under Islamic law.

Two other papers from women students from the Faculty of Sharia and Higher Studies were to be examined Saturday for a master's degree.

Graduation DAMMAM, July 14 — Three hundred and seventy one students will receive degrees from the University of Petroleum and Minerals at a ceremony July 22.

Of those, 45 have won further degrees and 326 are undergraduates. Eight of those being awarded

master's degrees have studied civil engineering, seven electrical engineering, 31 mechanical engineering, four physics, 17 management and four chemical engineering.

Bachelor's degrees are being awarded to 185 students of civil

engineering, 27 of electrical engineering, 31 of mechanical engineering, 20 of chemical engineering, 25 of industrial management, three of physics, four of

mathematics, three of chemistry, 10 of petroleum engineering and 18 of systems and design engineering.

The ceremony will begin with the national anthem and verses from the Holy Quran. Minister of Higher Education Sheikh Hassan ibn Abdullah Al-Sheikh, who will attend the ceremony, will speak after the names of the graduates are read and the University's rector addresses the hall.

## For welfare

## Kingdom gives cash to assist Lebanese

BEIRUT, July 14 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia Friday gave 2.12 million Lebanese pounds as assistance to several social service organizations in the country.

Saudi Ambassador Sheikh Ali Al-Shaer handed over checks to the heads of organizations.

LL 1 million has gone to the King Faisal orphanage in Beirut as regular annual aid LL 50,000 for the completion of Jazir mosque; LL 500,000 for the Child and Mother Care Society; LL 20,000 as annual aid to the society and LL 200,000 for the House of the Disabled in Lebanon.

## UNESCO

TAIF, July 14 (SPA) — Meetings of the 22nd session of the Arab UNESCO's executive council started here Saturday.

The agenda for the session includes discussion of the report submitted by the organization's director-general, uncompleted projects planned in 1978 to 1979, literacy and adult education programs, a regional program for environmental studies in Arab seas and the improvement of educational institutions in the occupied Arab territories.

The session was declared open by Deputy Minister of Education Sheikh Ibrahim Al-Hijji. Dr. Hamad Al-Salloum, chairman of the council and the Kingdom's representative, had briefed the members on the agenda.

It was announced Saturday in Bahrain that the Gulf Conference of ministers of Labor and Social

Affairs will hold its second session in Kuwait from January 12 to 14. An official source said that the Specialists Committee of Labor and Social Affairs will hold their resumed meetings from October 20 to 22.

## Ministry allows large maize, wheat imports

RIYADH, July 14 (SPA) — The government has allowed the import of one million bags each of wheat and maize within the next three months.

Deputy Minister of Commerce for Supply Tawfik Ibrahim Tawfik has said that 350,000 bags of wheat would arrive this week. Letters of credit have been opened and wheat and maize will be subsidized by the state.

The imports will be made by the Ministry of Commerce and imports with a view to ensuring that the Kingdom's demand is fulfilled, and the subsidy is not increased owing to the later import of the grains at a rate much higher than the prevailing international price.

JEDDAH, July 14 — The Saudi Edible Oils Company has signed an agreement with the Industrial Development Fund for a SR47 million loan to boost local industries.

The agreement was signed by Sheikh Hamza Bogari, executive member of the company's board of directors.

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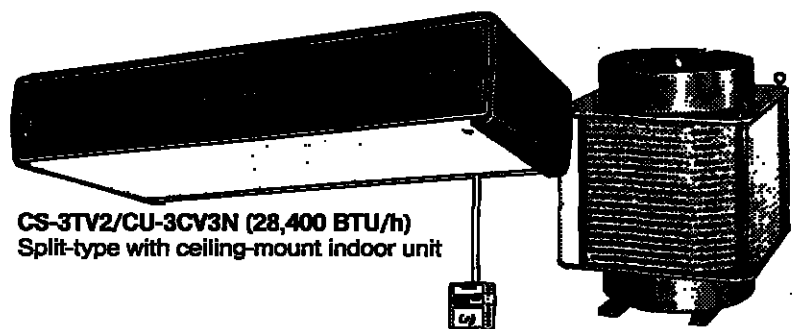
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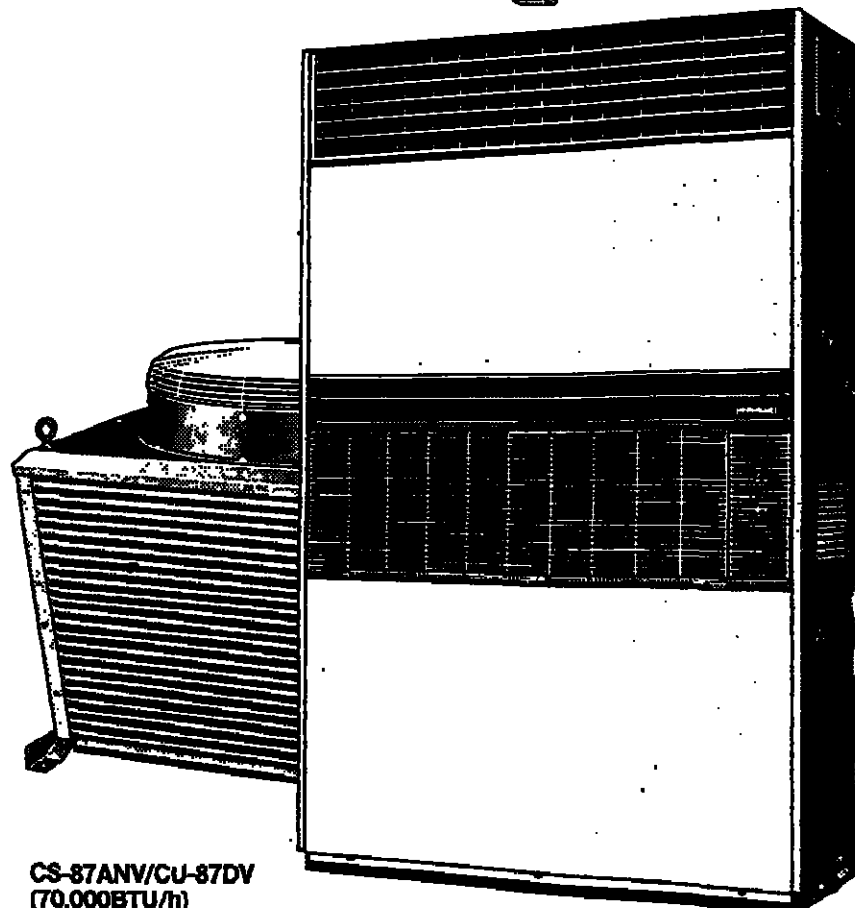
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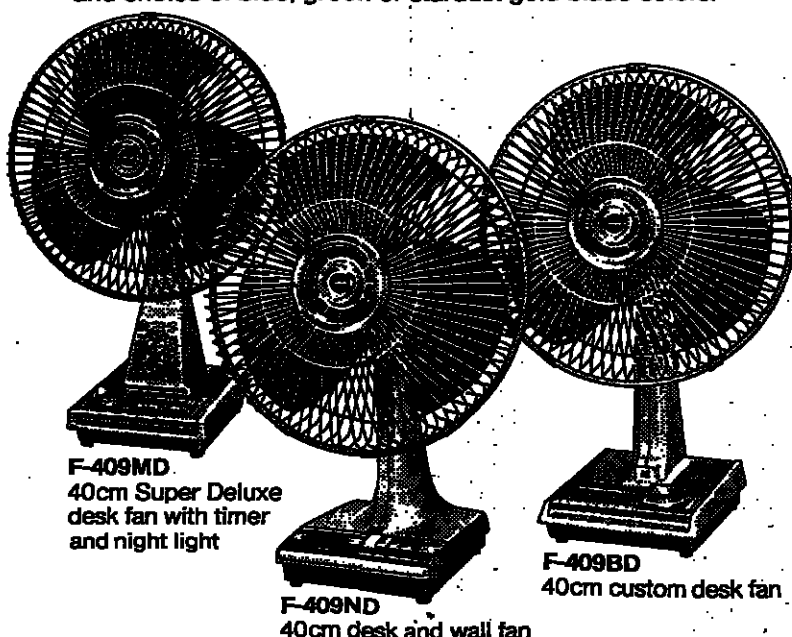


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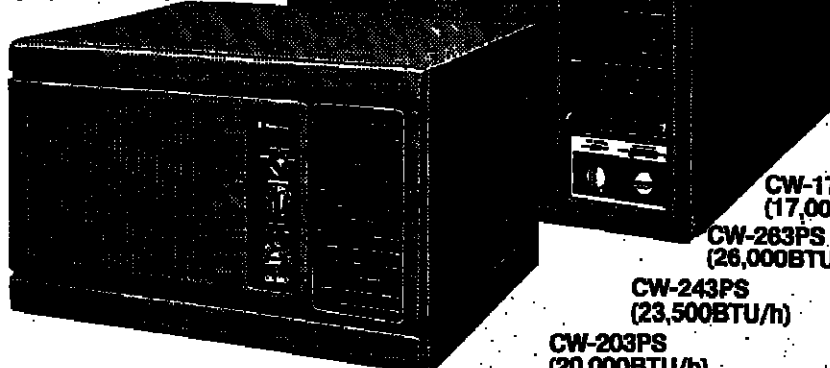


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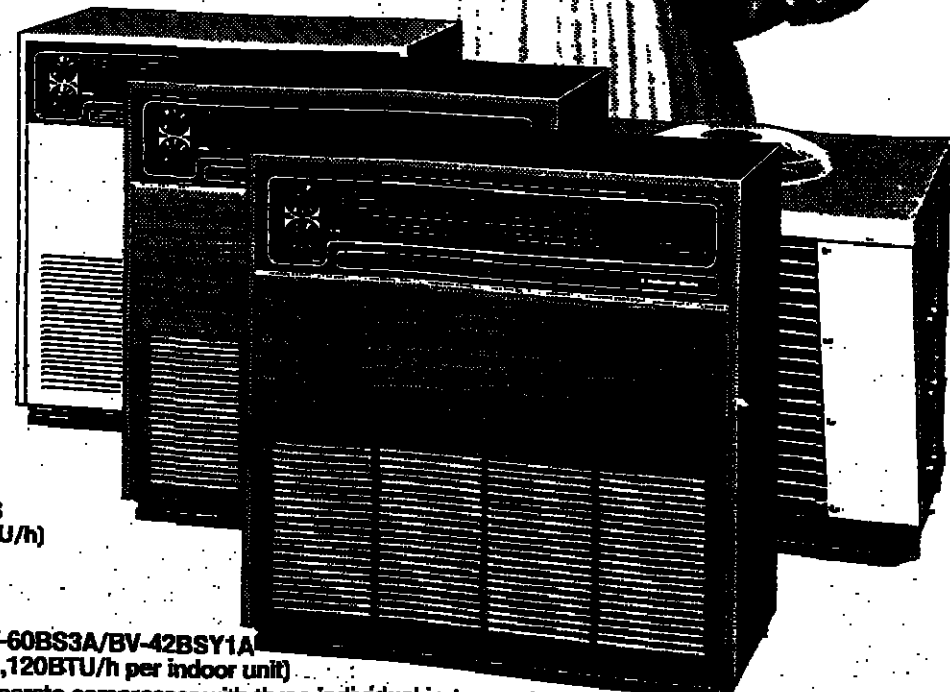
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## 'An act of hostility'

## Iran warns Egypt against admitting Shah

TEHRAN, July 14 (AP)—Iran Saturday condemned as an act of hostility President Sadat's offer of asylum to the Shah.

"Sadat's suggestion is obviously a case of animosity toward the nation and revolution of Iran, and if it is carried out, the Iranian nation will not forget this action of the government of Egypt," the Foreign Ministry told the official Pars News Agency.

The ministry said that the invitation "was not in accordance with

the wishes of the Egyptian people."

Egypt was the Shah's first stop when he flew into exile last January. Sadat, the Shah's host at the time, recently renewed his offer of permanent asylum. The Shah is in Mexico.

Declaring its solidarity with opponents of Sadat's treaty with Israel, Iran severed diplomatic relations with Egypt last May 1. "Al-Sho-ah," the mouthpiece of the Egyptian Workers' Socialist

Party, has warned against Sadat's suggestion and has said that to grant asylum to the ex-Shah would have unfavorable effects on Iran-Egyptian relations," the ministry said.

In Mexico, former President Richard Nixon ended his one-day visit with the Shah Friday.

More than 500 motorists were cleared from two traffic lanes as Nixon crossed from Tijuana into the United States.

Nixon, the first American pres-

ident to resign, quickly stepped from a jet Friday at Tijuana International Airport and into the front seat of a black limousine that headed toward California.

The 66-year-old Nixon, arrived Friday morning at Mexico City International Airport on a Mexican state airlines DC-10.

Nixon said before boarding at Tijuana-bound jet for the return trip to the United States that he shared "what I had been through" with the Shah.

During his brief visit, Nixon said he gave the Shah his views "about China, the Soviet Union, Europe and Latin America and got his impression the Shah is not depressed about what he has been through. 'He is a world statesman,' Nixon said.

The Shah and his Empress have lived briefly in Egypt, Morocco and the Bahamas before moving to Cuernavaca, a city of 200,000.

In Mexico City Friday Nixon held a news conference at which he praised the Shah.

Then, in a caravan of eight limousines in the early morning hours, he was driven 45 miles south to Cuernavaca.

As his automobile drove through the large gates of the estate, Nixon waved twice to a waiting crowd of reporters and photographers standing in a drizzle, smiled and disappeared from view.

Outside, Nixon's U.S. security agents and plainclothesmen from the Mexican capital patrolled the nearby streets and grounds on foot and in private cars.

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## Over subversion

## Syria paper attacks U.S.

DAMASCUS, July 14 (R)—The Syrian government newspaper "Tishrin" said Saturday that the United States would be mistaken if it thought it could subvert Syria internally with the aid of the Muslim Brotherhood.

Syria officially blamed the Brotherhood for the massacre of at least 50 army cadets in northern Syria on June 16, and later executed 15 members of the organization on charges of committing assassinations and bombings.

The paper said the United States wanted to strike at Syria because Syria had not submitted to U.S. policy.

"If America still thinks it can seize Syria from within, we affirm to it that the Muslim Brotherhood organization is not the method capable of achieving this," it said. "America is bound to realize this soon, having already failed to take Syria from the outside by way of Lebanon and Israel."

## Ex-ally of Zia quits in budget controversy

ISLAMABAD, July 14 (AP)—The chairman of the Pakistan National Alliance resigned Saturday from a budget advisory group, accentuating a widening rift between Gen. Zia and his former cabinet partners.

The budget, calling for tax increases totalling \$510 million and a deficit of \$300 million in the fiscal year which started July 1, has been assailed by politicians who believe it will trigger sharp increases in consumer prices.

The PNA is a grouping of five political parties which shared power briefly with the Zia cabinet until April.

"The PNA may hold a convention of representatives of businessmen, industrialists and workers, if the government refuses to accommodate our point of view regarding review of the budget," said PNA chief Maulana Mufi Mahmood as he announced his resignation.

Zia called a meeting of businessmen and economists July 9, a day after a nationwide protest strike, to discuss budget revisions, although Finance Minister Ghulam Ishaq Khan has ruled out any major changes, including tax cuts. The meeting resulted in the appointment of a seven-

member study group, from which Mahmood resigned.

Khan had estimated that the new taxes would push the cost of living up by four per cent but in the two weeks since the budget was announced, consumer prices have shot up by 15 to 50 per cent.

Besides PNA, all other political parties, including ex-acted former Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's Pakistan Peoples Party, have opposed the budget.

National elections are due Nov. 17, and many politicians question the propriety of imposing heavy taxation by the military government.

## Pakistan thief to lose hand

KARACHI, July 14 (R)—A thief who stole one kilo (2 pounds) of gold is to have his right hand amputated in accordance with Islamic law, the Associated Press of Pakistan news agency said.

Majoo Shah was found guilty of stealing from a goldsmith's shop at Sukkur, 500 kilometers from here. It was the first judgement passed under Islamic law on theft by the sessions judge at Sukkur.

## For breaking ceasefire Morocco, Mauritania condemn Polisario

MONROVIA, July 14 (R)—Mauritania and Morocco have condemned the breaking of a ceasefire by Algerian-backed Polisario guerrillas seeking an independent Western Sahara.

The Polisario Front guerrillas said in Paris Wednesday that they had attacked the Tichla district of the Mauritanian-controlled sector of the former Spanish Sahara.

Spain ceded the colony to Mauritania and Morocco in 1976. The attack last Wednesday ended a year-long ceasefire in the desert war.

The condemnations of the raid came from the Mauritanian and Moroccan Foreign Ministers, who are in Liberia for an OAU conference which is preparing for next week's full OAU summit.

There had been widespread hopes of a political breakthrough at the summit to end the conflict which has brought Mauritania and Morocco close to war with Algeria.

"This was totally unexpected. It is a slap in the face for the OAU at a time it is meeting here to try and solve the conflict," the ministers' statement said.

"Mauritania has done everything it could to try and get a settlement. Mauritania is in favor of a referendum to ask the local population to decide their own future."

"The attack on Tichla will not change our position on the issue." Moroccan Foreign Minister Muhammad Bouceita said that armed bands which attacked Morocco and Mauritania were

financed, armed and equipped by Algeria, and that the Polisario Front existed only in the imaginations of those who wished to imagine it.

Algerian Foreign Minister Muhammad Seddia Benyahia said the Sahara was a matter of decolonization which concerned the OAU and in which the Polisario Front had a voice.

"Algeria has claimed nothing and claims nothing. It has ceded nothing and asks for nothing. It is up to those who must cede and those who ask to hold talks together," he said.

The OAU summit will debate a report by a committee of the heads of state of Sudan, Nigeria, the Ivory Coast, Mali and Guinea, mandated by the OAU last year to seek a peaceful solution to the conflict.

Informants said the committee was expected to call for an immediate ceasefire in preparation for a referendum supervised by the OAU and the United Nations.

A Polisario Front delegation headed by self-styled Foreign Minister Hakim Ibrahim is in Monrovia lobbying delegations.

He said he had spoken with ministers from all but five of the 49 OAU states. "The issue is one of decolonization affecting the whole continent and not a bilateral matter between Algeria and Morocco," he said.

## Addis executes man for trying to kill Mengistu

NAIROBI, July 14 (AP)—Ethiopian military authorities have executed the leader of a dissident group for allegedly trying to assassinate Ethiopian strongman Lt. Col. Mengistu Haile Mariam, official Ethiopian radio reported.

The radio report, monitored in Nairobi Friday, identified the slain dissident as Abdul Warsame Suleiman, who purportedly used the aliases of Redha and Belhane Advadawa Duarufale.

Ethiopian authorities said Suleiman headed two radical underground Marxist movements, the Ethiopian Christian Party (ECP) and the Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Party (EPRP), and tried to assassinate Mengistu last year.

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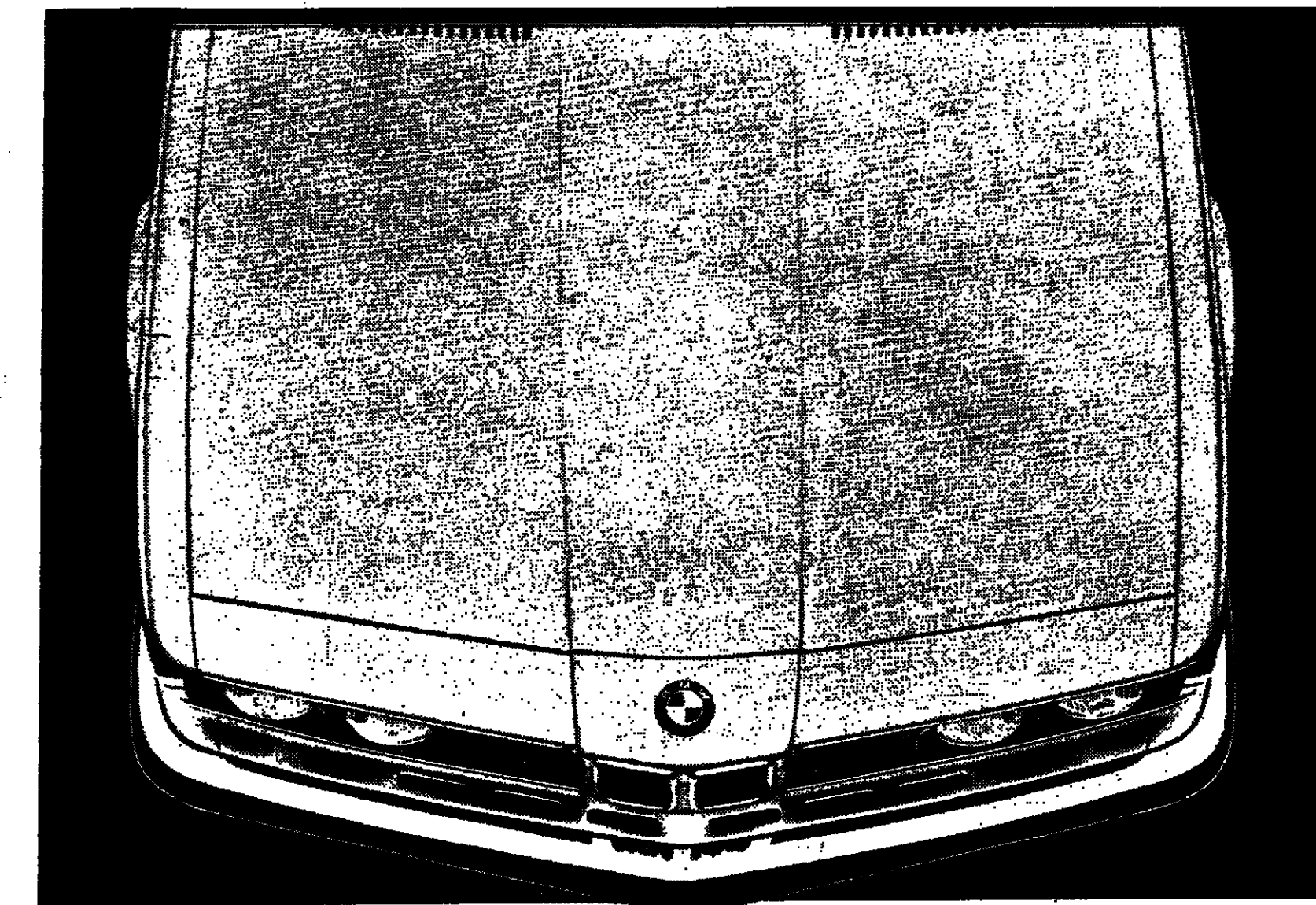
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## Vote Tuesday

## Desai abandoned by key ministers

NEW DELHI, July 14 (R) — India's ruling Janata Party Saturday warned that its defeat in parliament would lead to instability as the ninth minister in three days deserted Prime Minister Morarji Desai's government.

Minister of State for Home Affairs Dhanik Lal Mandat, a supporter of Desai's archival in his own party, Deputy Premier and Finance Minister Charan Singh, Saturday resigned from the government but not from the party, like all the other eight who preceded him, including two

## New elections announced by Lisbon premier

LISBON, July 14 (R) — President Eanes has decided to call fresh general elections in Portugal as the only way to break the country's present political deadlock.

Parliamentary sources said Saturday he will pick an independent prime minister-designate next week to form a watchdog government with the delicate task of preparing for elections in the autumn.

Only after the government has been approved in the present assembly will the president sign the formal order dissolving Portugal's first elected legislature for 50 years and setting a date for interim polls.

Announcing his decision Friday night, Eanes made it clear that under the 1976 constitution, Portugal would have to hold elections again a year from now.

The decision was immediately

condemned by the Socialists, Portugal's largest party and rulers for two years under former Prime Minister Mario Soares, as yielding to the pressure of a right-wing minority.

cabinet ministers.

Singh is also expected to resign from the government before a vote on a motion of no-confidence is taken in the Lok Sabha (lower house) on Tuesday.

Nearly 60 MPs have now deserted Janata.

In the latest blow to Desai, the Socialist Party has made its support for the government in Tuesday's crucial vote conditional on a pledge from the prime minister to resign.

Socialist MP Ladli Mohan Nigam said Friday night that his colleagues would back the government if Desai gave a written undertaking that he would step down after the vote.

The prime minister was reported to have told newspaper editors at a meeting Friday night that there are indications that his powerful Deputy Premier Charan Singh would also resign.

Most of Singh's supporters have already quit the Janata Party. Singh, who has deep differences with Desai, is expected to quit before the vote which decides the future of the prime minister's minority government.

The Communist Party of India, which has 22 members in the Lok Sabha has also decided to vote against the government. Other left parties are expected to rally behind the opposition.

Desai was relying heavily on the Hindu nationalist Jana Sangh faction, his own Congress group, and the Socialists, but now seems likely to forfeit the latter's support.

The newspaper editors reported Desai to be stoical and apparently unperturbed by the mass defections around him.

Several opposition leaders, who met President Sanjiva Reddy, were reported to have appealed to him not to call mid-term elections if Desai's government falls.



ON THE ROAD: A Sandinista guerrilla grabs a bite to eat along a road in Nicaragua. The rebels are reportedly drifting back into Managua's slums for an expected assault on the capital.

## Police seek Mafia boss aides after murder at N.Y. restaurant

NEW YORK, July 14 (R) — The bullet-riddled body of Mafia boss Carmine Galante was laid out in a Manhattan funeral parlor Saturday as police hunted two associates of the New York don, gunned down in a gangland killing two days ago.

The two men, apparently associates of Galante, were with him in a Brooklyn Italian restaurant on Thursday when three masked men burst in and opened fire with shotguns and automatic weapons.

The men who escaped, Baldo Amato, 27, and Caesar Bonventre, 28, were not suspected of being members of the hit squad, but might be able to provide clues to the killers' identity.

Galante's family and friends are expected to gather at the funeral home for a two-day wake before the body is buried on Monday, the

Lanza Provenzano Funeral Home announced.

Galante, 69, Leonard "Nino" Coppola, a 48-year-old aide, and restaurant owner Giuseppe Turano, 47, were shot dead and Turano's 17-year-old son John wounded when the killers blasted their open air lunch on the restaurant's back patio.

The "New York Post" Friday quoted police intelligence sources as saying leaders of other mob families apparently agreed to eliminate Galante because he was too greedy with the profits from narcotics, pornography, loan-sharking and labor rackets.

"When Galante divided up a pie he didn't just take a bigger piece, he took three-quarters or he took the whole pie," one informant was quoted as saying.

"His death is not likely to touch off a mob struggle to replace him, but it will take time for things to fall into place," the "Post" informant said.

But a detective said, "They'll all hit the mattresses (go into hiding) until they figure out who did it. When they know, we'll know."

## NASA bemoans Voyager's failure to capture ring

PASADENA, California July 14 (AP) — American scientists had their first major disappointment of the Voyager 2 mission when Jupiter's newly discovered ring vanished, as suddenly as it had appeared.

Researchers had hoped pictures beamed back by the spacecraft Friday would show brightly illuminated particles in the ring, which is believed to be composed of fist-sized chunks of matter.

But the sun's angle obliterated the ring.

"The ring didn't reflect any sunlight, and couldn't be seen anymore," one scientist said.

"Today's attempt was a failure."

The ring was discovered by Voyager 1, sister ship of the most recent Voyager, which examined the solar system's largest planet in March. Voyager 1 is now hurtling toward Saturn and is expected to pass near the planet in November, 1980.

After Voyager 2 finishes its inspection of the Jovian system, it too will race to Saturn for an August, 1981 arrival. Scientists hope to send Voyager 2 on to Uranus, then direct it to follow Voyager 1 into deep space.

Scientists believe the ring may be matter from the volcanic moon Io or debris from an ancient satellite torn apart by Jupiter's wrenching gravitational pull.

## Pacific isles approve charter despite U.S.

KOROR, Palau, July 14 (AP) — Residents of the U.S.-administered Palau Islands gave overwhelming approval to a constitution in early returns, despite objections by the United States.

Some 92 per cent of the voters counted by Wednesday were in favor of the proposed constitution, the Micronesian News Service reported. With 4,085 votes from Monday's plebiscite tallied, 3,738 voted yes, 321 voted no and 26 ballots were voided, MNS said. Absentee ballots and returns from some remote islands remained to be counted.

The United States had objected to constitutional provisions which would ban nuclear weapons and U.S. military bases in the islands, which lie 1,600 kilometers east of the Philippines.

Palau is part of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, more than 2,000 islands in the central Pacific which were seized from Japan in World War II.

## Rebels seen back in Managua for renewed assault on capital

MANAGUA, July 14 (AP) — Sandinista guerrillas were reported Friday filtering back into some of Managua's eastern barrios, preparing for an attack to capture the capital and overthrow President Anastasio Somoza.

"The boys are back," said a resident of Central America Barrio, a scene of heavy fighting before the guerrillas pulled back at the beginning of July.

The residents of the barrios said Sandinistas have been circulating through the area recently, warning families that if they wanted to avoid the fighting they would have to leave "soon."

A Sandinista in neighboring Costa Rica said the guerrillas plan to gain control of Managua by Sunday and install their provisional government in the capital. The junta of five — called the National Reconstruction Provisional Government — is now in San Jose, the Costa Rican capital, and three of its members have been meeting almost daily with U.S. Ambassador-at-large William Bowdler.

Thursday night, an estimated 300 government troops were taken by truck from Managua towards Leon, Nicaragua's second largest city 88 kilometers north, one of 26 towns held by the rebels.

The troops could be destined to block a rebel march on the capital from the north or to protect Somoza's private airstrip at Mon-

telimar on the Pacific Coast. Government sources would not say.

The Sandinista guerrillas hold or control all the roads to Managua except for a few miles outside the capital.

Somoza took refuge in his fortified bunker Saturday after a secretive trip to Guatemala in search of military support.

Somoza met briefly in Guatemala City Friday with the leaders of the military governments of Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras, his neighbors in Central America.

Somoza reportedly asked them for military aid for his embattled forces. There was no immediate word on their response. But a Nicaraguan source said the lead-

ers agreed with Somoza's charge that the rebel offensive was orchestrated by Cuba.

The source, who asked not to be identified, also claimed that the three heads of state accepted in principle Somoza's call for a mutual defense treaty under which they would send troops to Nicaragua. It was expected that the three nations would be pressured by the United States and Latin American nations against helping Somoza.

The United States has called for Somoza's resignation and U.S. Bowdler has been meeting with members of the Sandinista's five-member provisional government, seeking terms under which Somoza would agree to leave Nicaragua.

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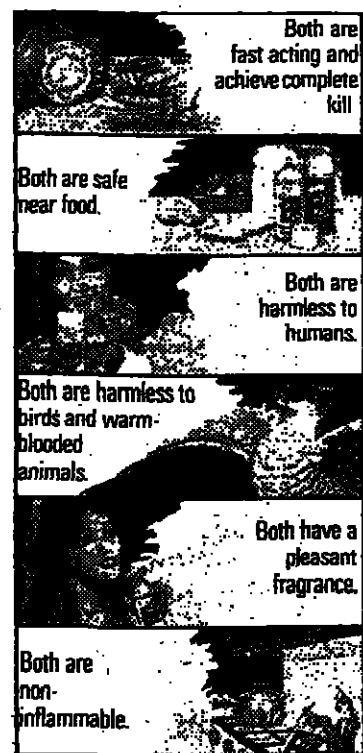
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## Peking trade official gives assurances to foreign contractors

PEKING, July 14 (AP) — Li Qiang (Li Chiang), the minister of foreign trade, said Friday in an unusual interview that China is importing vital technology and that "foreign friends" should not worry about contracts already signed.

The minister, in a talk with the official Xinhua news agency, appeared to reflect Chinese anxiety over the possibility that foreign investment and cooperation may not be as enthusiastic as had been hoped.

The government and the Communist Party attach considerable importance to the law governing foreign ventures published this week. The first to spell out terms of Sino-foreign enterprises, it is apparently designed to draw in heavy investments from abroad.

Though it guarantees such companies and makes it possible to export their earnings in hard currency, some big foreign companies once bitten are twice shy. After having made multibillion dollar contracts with the Chinese, they have returned home to find them either frozen or repudiated.

Addressing himself to this problem, Li told Xinhua, "little or no change will be made to most of the

contracts. Plans for few projects will be revised in terms of the time and scale of construction, but these changes will be made rationally after friendly consultations by both sides."

He acknowledged that practical conditions prevailing in China and the proper priorities had not been taken into account last year when most of the big contracts, mainly with Japan, were drawn up.

He added that during a three year readjustment period decreed by the party's leading economists, China is continuing to import technology and equipment for exploiting oil, coal and non-ferrous metal resources, for building power stations and developing light industry, textiles, communications and transportation.

A companion story by Xinhua said total trade in the first six months of this year has reached \$14 billion, a 43.2 per cent increase over the same period of 1978.

China's imports are bound to be welcomed by the industrial nations which face hard times in the wake of the latest oil price hike. The problem is how China will be able to pay for its badly needed equipment and modern technology.

### Fuel prices raised in Thailand

BANGKOK, July 14 (AP) — Prices of all oil products in Thailand were increased 40 to 67.3 per cent Saturday in a move to keep pace with the recent oil price increase.

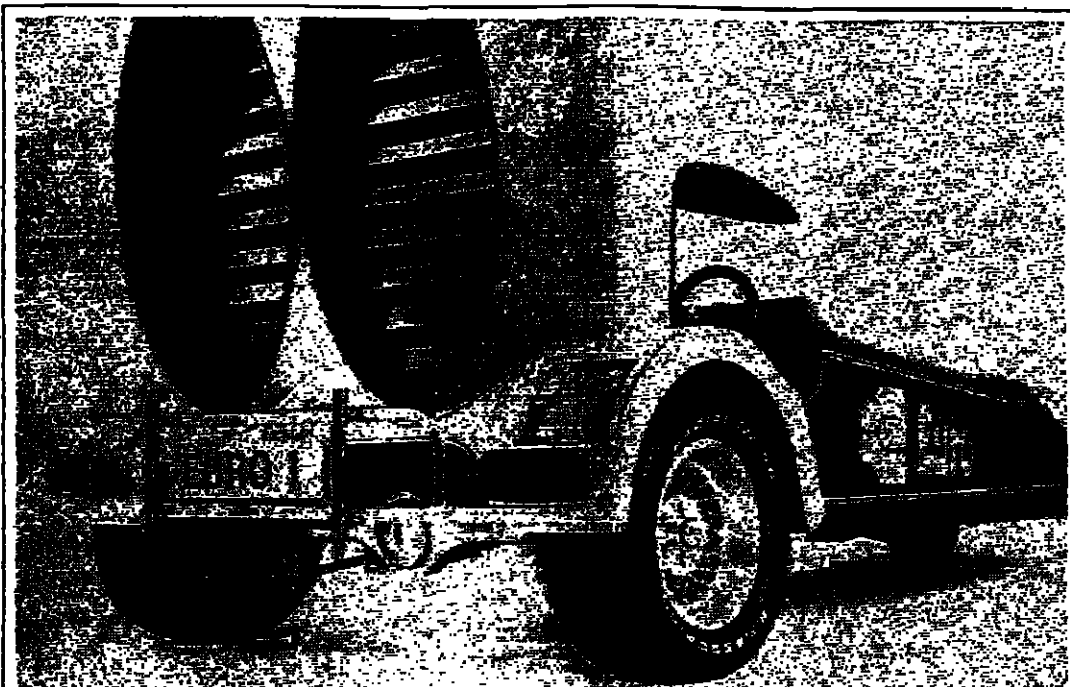
The hikes range from 40 per cent on premium gasoline to 67.3 per cent on kerosene. Premium gasoline jumped from about 28 U.S. cents a liter to 39 cents.

Prime Minister Kriangsak Chomanan said it was time for everybody to accept the reality of the oil situation. He said the increase would discourage the use of cars and would help cut consumption.

Kriangsak said the measures should not lead to any significant increase in the rate of inflation and warned there would be a crackdown on merchants using the increase as an excuse to raise their prices significantly.

In January the government permitted oil companies to raise fuel prices from 9 to 17 per cent.

Thailand depends almost entirely on outside sources for its petroleum.



EUROCAR: After an earlier success, Eurocar have commissioned this three-wheeled 'drag car'. It is built from an extended Bog chassis, steel pipes at the rear and huge wheels and costs \$24,000.

## Market rally doesn't continue after Carter's energy meeting

LONDON, July 14 — After going nowhere for ten weeks, the Dow Jones index bounced up nearly 30 points a few days ago as news filtered out from President Carter's retreat at Camp David that a major initiative on energy policy might be forthcoming. By the end of this week, though, Wall Street had drifted back to the level around which it has been trading for most of this year. The abortive attempt to break out of the trading range stirred interest in the investment community about the direction of the U.S. market's next major move, which many commentators believe to be imminent.

It is now widely believed that the recession, which even the administration is now expecting, will be good news for stock prices. At first sight, this is a paradoxical belief, as industrial profits are bound to suffer. But the thinking goes that the market's main enemy is roaring inflation and that the recession would break the back of the price spiral and set America on the road to recovery. On the other hand, there are many who argue that this is far too

sanguine a view and that inflation is so deeply ingrained into the economy and expectations for it to be washed out so easily. This school of thought anticipates that a serious monetary squeeze will be necessary before inflation can be eradicated and that this will drive the American economy (and indeed the rest of the world) into a far deeper recession than the majority currently realizes.

Even so, everyone agrees that Wall Street is cheap. The disagreement centers on whether it is going to stay cheap — or get even cheaper. The dividend yield on the Dow Jones index is around 6 per cent, double the level that preceded the last major bull market in the early '70s. The standard and Poor's index is trading on a price/earnings ratio of less than 8 because company earnings have done far better than stock prices over the past few years. If previous relationships were to be restored the market would more than double. There is, of course, an alternative way in which this anomaly could be corrected: earnings could

be halved. But few would expect the recession to be quite that severe. The current depressed level of the market contains a considerable cushion against the effects of the coming recession. The major investment institutions, however, have got used to inactivity to the extent that some \$50 billion of spare cash is thought to be waiting for investment. This represents as much as 6 months' cash flow into the institutions and is more than twice as high as the level of liquidity which preceded the bull run in 1975. It is probably going to take some fairly persuasive evidence that the market is going to rise to encourage U.S. fund managers to pile back into stocks in a big way.

So many Wall Street commentators are looking to the foreign investor to provide the initial sparks. Undoubtedly many international fund managers believe that New York itself is cheap. What is holding them back is fear about the stability of the dollar. The relative attractiveness of American interest rates has been further eroded by this week's increases in European central bank rates (probably to be followed by Japan shortly) so the negatives working against the dollar increase. But the trade balance has recovered sharply and a recession, which some argue has already started, would bring further help to the balance of payments, strengthen the dollar and help push interest rates down. But it still looks as if another bout of credit tightening will be needed before European investors can be persuaded that the administration has adopted the correct policies. And that, in turn, implies that the dollar may have further to fall this year before it turns.

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## Despite differences Bucharest, Tel Aviv conclude trade pact

TEL AVIV, July 14 (R) — Romania and Israel have signed a protocol pledging increased trade despite differences earlier this week over the venue of their annual trade talks.

The agreement, signed Friday, also committed both sides to work towards closing the wide gap in their balance of trade, which is currently heavily in Romania's favor.

Romania is the only East European country which did not break ties with Israel after the 1967 war. The first meeting of the joint

trade commission was cancelled Wednesday after Dimitru Bezan, the Romanian secretary of state for foreign trade, insisted on moving the talks from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv.

Romania does not recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital, and has its embassy in Tel Aviv.

But Bezan later backed down and the talks were held as scheduled Thursday and Friday.

It was their ninth annual meeting. They are held alternately in Jerusalem and Bucharest.

## Energy Department makes study U.S. gasoline lines seen causing waste

WASHINGTON, July 14 (W.P.) — A group of economists at the U.S. Department of Energy got out their calculators a while ago and came up with statistical proof of something you already know: gas lines waste gas.

In the Washington, D.C., area alone, the economists say, nearly 1 million gallons of gas per month are burned by cars idling or creeping forward a few feet per minute in gas lines. If gas lines become a standard part of life throughout the United States, the total monthly loss would exceed 100 million gallons.

Gasoline isn't the only thing idled away in gas lines, of course, so the economists also tried to determine the dollar value of all the man-woman-hours spent sitting in those idling cars waiting for a moment at the pumps.

The conclusion: In the Washington area alone, according to the formula, gas lines are costing a total of \$1.9 million per

month in lost time. If gas lines became a national phenomenon, the monthly cost would be about \$200 million monthly.

All these numbers are estimates, of course, but they seem to be the best estimates available of how much waste is involved in the current gasoline situation, where demand so greatly exceeds supply that drivers in many urban areas have to wait in line to get gas.

These numbers will be an important part of the debate this week when Congress takes up a bill to give President Carter authority to impose gasoline rationing.

Six weeks ago the House of Representatives resoundingly defeated a rationing plan proposed by the president — but that was before gas lines started spreading across the nation.

Today, congressional leaders believe, rationing would win fairly easy approval in the House because the people are tired of wasting time, money and fuel in

## U.S. firms seen getting undue profit on pipelines

WASHINGTON, July 14 (R) — If the United States government had set fair standards for oil pipeline rates, consumers of gasoline and oil could have saved \$300 million in 1976 alone, the General Accounting Office said Friday.

The office said lack of government controls had resulted in many oil companies receiving unusually high profits from their pipelines.

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## MOVING BACKWARDS

Regardless of its immediate outcome, the Palestinian attack on the Egyptian embassy in Ankara is an unfortunate development that takes the Arab world another step towards total polarization and represents a harmful burning of bridges with Egypt.

Attacks by Arabs on Arabs are nothing new. They were a sad feature of Arab politics until 1973 when the war with Israel revived the pan-Arab spirit among the antagonists and put a temporary halt on violence. But the honeymoon proved a short one, although experience has shown that inter-Arab violence was only successful in widening the rift between Arabs on government and popular levels.

The latest attack is an act of despair that cannot find justification in its declared objectives. It can only further alienate the Egyptian people from the Arab mainstream, when the Arab world is at pains to make a distinction between the Egyptian government and the Egyptian people, in the hope of creating a popular momentum within Egypt to check the government's drift away from the Arab body. The Arabs are in full agreement over the implications of Egypt's action and have acted collectively to minimize the damage while keeping the door open for Egypt and its people to make a re-entry. It can be argued that Egypt has reached the point of no return in its peace initiative, but that is highly debatable. Negotiations so far have failed to achieve any concrete results and are bogged down in Israel's obstinacy and lack of vision. The stalemate offers the only chance — a very small chance — that all is not lost. But it is the duty of every Arab to act in a sober manner to improve the chances of Egypt returning to the fold. Political realities and incentives are far more effective than violence in swaying Egyptian public opinion. Attacks on Egyptian diplomats will not only antagonize the average Egyptian, but will trigger off a wave of reprisals and counter-reprisals between Egypt and other Arabs to the detriment of the two and to Israel's delight. There is nothing Israel cherishes more than to see the Arabs doing its dirty work and saving it the need to justify its atrocities in world forums. Arabs, including Palestinians, must deny Israel that opportunity, and it is a joint Arab and Palestinian responsibility to channel Arab anger and disillusionment into the venues that best serve Arab interests. There is no doubt that the anger and sense of hopelessness are intense, but they must not blind the Arabs as to who their real enemy is.

## Uranium hunting is Africa's newest woe

By Michael Goldsmith

MONROVIA, Liberia  
The world's largest desert, three million miles of mineral-rich rock and sand, is becoming a theater of war over what may be the 21st century's main source of energy, uranium.

Bitter guerrilla wars, often involving African client states of the major powers, are bringing increasing bloodshed to the Sahara from the Atlantic to the Red Sea.

The legendary camel caravans of nomadic desert tribes still crisscross the vast wilderness as they did in the days of Beau Geste. Even the French Foreign Legion is still there in places.

But modern highways are being built across the desert and huge stockpiles of arms — of both Soviet bloc and Western origin — are accumulating in the ten countries whose territory lies largely in the Sahara.

The Sahara's main wealth at present comes from petroleum. Libya and Algeria are among the world's major oil producers. By coincidence, they are also the region's most militant "progressive" countries.

The other eight Sahara nations, from Morocco and Mauritania in the west to Egypt and Sudan in the east, are long-standing or recent friends of the West and look to the United States and Western Europe for arms and economic aid. Six of these so-called "moderate" nations, Tunisia, Morocco, Mauritania, Mali, Niger and Chad, are former French colonies and retain strong ties with France.

The desert has been a barrier to human contact since prehistoric times. It marks the boundary between Africa's black population and the Arab or Berber peoples of the north. Most of the Sahara nations lie astride this racial boundary and have suffered from racial conflict for centuries.

These conflicts, causing local wars from Mauritania to Sudan, have been sharpened in recent years by the disastrous drought that has driven thousands of nomads out of their traditional pastures.

French influence is paramount in much of France's former African empire, and the French make no secret of the fact that their main interest in the area is centered on uranium, for themselves and for many other countries developing nuclear energy in Europe and elsewhere.

France is one of the world's five acknowledged nuclear powers. It is rapidly developing its independent nuclear deterrent and its nuclear energy capacity. The uranium need for these programs comes exclusively from Africa.

Much of it is mined in black Africa, in Gabon and the Central African Empire, but the largest potential is in the Sahara. The barren mountains in the northern region of the Niger Republic alone produce 4,800 metric tons of uranium annually, expected to soar to 10,000 tons by the mid 1980s. By that time, Niger is expected to produce half of France's total uranium needs for both military and civilian use.

The Niger uranium deposits extend northward into Algeria and Libya, westward into Mali and eastward into Chad. Much of it is still unexplored, but some experts believe the Sahara may contain the world's largest uranium.

In the west: Morocco, the world's largest exporter of phosphates, is developing a method for extracting uranium from phosphate ore. Moroccan planners say Morocco will export more than 2,500 metric tons of uranium annually by the end of the century.

The former Spanish Sahara, also a major phosphate producer, was largely annexed by Morocco in 1975. Its phosphates are also to contribute to Morocco's future uranium exports, but an Algerian-sponsored guerrilla movement, the Polisario Front, is fighting for independence of the territory.

The Sahara war has cost Morocco an estimated \$1.2 billion in military expenditure and at least 3,000 casualties over the past four years.

In northern Mali, French and Japanese firms are prospecting the uranium deposits. The area is in the traditional grazing land of Mali's Touareg tribes, which have been in almost permanent rebellion against the Mali government for years. In the Libyan capital, Tripoli, Touareg tribesmen recently announced the creation of a "liberation front" for northern Mali.

In Niger's neighbor, Chad, Libya has seized a 100,000-square-mile area known as the Aouzou Strip and declared it to be Libyan territory. Aouzou is the center of the region believed to contain Chad's largest uranium deposits. (AP)



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## Quebec question still splitting Canada

By Raymond Heard

MONTREAL —

The long-awaited referendum on Quebec independence will be held in the spring of 1980, thus prolonging for nearly another year the agonizing uncertainty over the future of Canada.

Quebec Premier Rene Levesque recently told the National Assembly that the big question would be put to the people at some time between April 6 and June 21 next year "come hell or high water". But Levesque, a poker player, kept the cards close to his chest on the exact wording of the question. Sticking to his strategy, step-by-step strategy, he said that would not be disclosed until the end of this year.

The referendum is expected to seek a mandate for the Quebec Government to wrest control of taxation and legislative powers from the federal Government, while maintaining economic ties with the rest of Canada, a fuzzy formula that Levesque calls "sovereignty-association."

Spokesmen for the other nine provinces have made it plain they reject sovereignty-association with Quebec. In his successful campaign to become federal Prime Minister, Joe Clark flatly stated

that Quebec, no matter what its people decided in a referendum, had no constitutional right to secede.

Quebec Liberal leader Claude Ryan was quick to accuse the separatist Government of stalling on the referendum for fear of losing. An autumn referendum, he argued, would have put an end to the economic doubt which has plagued Quebec since the election victory of the Parti Quebecois on Nov. 15, 1976.

Depending on whom you believe, anywhere from six to 350 head offices have fled the city of Montreal since that date because of high taxes and a restrictive French language law. The spring referendum is privately welcomed, however, by Joe Clark, who needs the time to prepare a package of proposed constitutional changes to the British North America Act. Clark must strike a compromise between satisfying Quebec's clamour for more autonomy while at the same time preventing the break-up of Canada.

On this central issue of Canadian politics, he takes a more pragmatic line than his predecessor Pierre Trudeau, who was determined not to yield more authority to the provinces.

Members of the Parti Quebecois Government were split on whether to go to the

people this autumn or next spring. Those favouring the autumn argued that the referendum should precede two scheduled by-elections in which the Parti Quebecois is expected to suffer demoralising defeats. In by-elections in April, the Liberal opposition under Claude Ryan turned independence into a major issue and scored stunning victories.

Those who favored a spring vote, including Premier Levesque and the majority of his Ministers claimed that the extra time was needed to take their message to the people because the media could not be trusted "to provide the right information."

"It wouldn't be right to rush things", said Levesque. "Everyone must have the time to put their cards on the table."

As the propaganda war heats up, the majority of the Quebec electorate is undecided or supports renewed federalism. No more than 20 per cent favour outright independence.

For the separatists to win the referendum they will have to indulge in some political double-talk which will convince activists that they are getting independence while at the same time convince fence-sitters that the result will be only a watered-down federalism. — (OFNS)

## Autonomy talks: Futility of a negotiating process

By Bernard Debusman

BEIRUT —

What to Israel, Egypt and the United States are momentous steps on the road to Middle East peace are to the Palestinians and most of the Arab world exercises in futility.

The sharply differing views are of negotiations between Israel and Egypt on "autonomy" for the Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The overwhelming majority of the 1.2 million Palestinians living under Israeli military rule are bitterly opposed to the autonomy project and hold that neither Egypt nor Israel is competent to discuss, let alone decide, their fate.

In the latest round of the autonomy talks, President Anwar Sadat of Egypt and Prime Minister Menachem Begin of Israel met in the Egyptian port of Alexandria and agreed to disagree on continued Jewish settlement in the West Bank and Gaza.

Even to some Western diplomats basically in sympathy with the process which led to the Israeli-Egyptian peace pact in March, the Alexandria talks had an air of unreality.

"Let's face it," said a Western envoy here, "Even if Begin and Sadat had agreed, it would have made very little difference to the basic problem. They are talking in a vacuum."

The basic problem is posed by the world's estimated four million Palestinians.

Driven into exile with the creation of the Jewish state in 1948, Palestinians established communities

throughout the world. Those on the West Bank and in Gaza came under military rule when Israel occupied the territories in the 1967 Middle East war.

Some Palestinians live in splendid affluence in their adopted homes, some live in the squalor of teeming refugee camps, some hold high positions in the governments of Arab countries.

All share a sense of national identity which appears to grow more acute with the passage of time. And with very few exceptions, Palestinians see the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) as their only representative.

Recognized by more than 100 countries, the PLO was not even mentioned in last September's Camp David agreements which outlined the limited Palestinian autonomy now under discussion.

Major countries to withhold PLO recognition include the United States, a signatory of the Camp David Accords. Israel had consistently refused to deal with the PLO, claiming it is a terrorist organization bent on the destruction of the Jewish state.

The Israeli contention is being challenged not only by the PLO's friends in the Arab world and the Socialist bloc.

A few days before the Alexandria meeting, PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat had talks in Vienna which may eventually have greater impact on the course of events in the Middle East than the so far unproductive Israeli-Egyptian dialogue.

Arafat was received by Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky and former West German Chancellor

Willy Brandt, men with impeccable credentials in the defense of peace and human rights.

Brandt, a winner of the Nobel Peace Prize, said after his talks with the commando chief that he had examined the PLO's policies and "whether this position aimed at the destruction" of the Jewish state.

The former West German chancellor said he had concluded that "self-determination of the Palestinian people cannot be thrown into the same pot with the elimination and destruction of the state of Israel."

The Vienna meeting prompted a storm of protest in Israel, where the Knesset passed a motion of censure. Israel's ambassador to Vienna was called home.

The PLO interpreted the meeting as a major moral victory.

"Whenever Begin feels his policies are threatened," said a Palestinian official, "he resorts to the six million Jews killed by Nazi Germany. The victims serve as a protective shield against criticism. But neither Brandt, who was persecuted by the Nazis, nor Kreisky, who is a Jew, fit into the argument."

However, few Palestinians expect the United States, Egypt and Israel to abandon the policies which led to Camp David, the treaty, and the autonomy talks.

"They will continue to debate 'self-rule' for a minority of the Palestinian people," predicted a PLO official. "They will continue to ignore almost three million Palestinians living outside the West

Bank and Gaza. They will continue to ignore the PLO as long as possible."

How long that will be is a matter of conjecture. More violence against Israeli targets unleashed more violence against Palestinians guerrillas as well as civilians unfortunate enough to live in Lebanon, the last haven of the commando movement.

According to semi-official Lebanese estimates, 162 persons were killed in Israeli air and artillery attacks on targets in southern Lebanon since March 26, a total of 377 were wounded.

About 60,000 inhabitants of the south fled their homes, many of them for the second time in just over a year. In the first 100 days of 'peace', the average daily casualty rate in Lebanon was five, with most of the victims civilians.

Israel was shaken by scores of bomb explosions, anti-Israeli violence increased after Begin reiterated his views on Palestinian autonomy. The Israeli Army should continue to be responsible for security on the West Bank and Gaza. Jews should be free to settle there, and Israel would retain control over military areas, Jewish settlements and water resources.

Not surprisingly, the Palestinians regard the Israel autonomy plan as a continuation of military occupation under another name rather than a move towards the independent state demanded by the PLO.

Palestinian activists in Israel and the West Bank and Gaza are reported to have set themselves a new target — one act of violence a day. — (R).

## saudi press review

Newspapers Saturday gave prominence to the attack on the Egyptian embassy in Ankara, Prince Naif's visit to Korea and the reported agreement between Egypt and Israel to coordinate what the papers called "strategic and geopolitical policies" in the Red Sea region. Quoting observers Al-Medina said that "Sadat and Begin were working to find a place for their alliance within the framework of superpower rivalry."

Commenting on Prince Naif's visit to Taiwan, Al-Medina said "Saudi-Chinese relations are excellent and that the Republic of China is a friendly country with strong ties to the Kingdom. The visit should further consolidate these relations for the benefit of both countries because of the many common interests that bind them."

"Prince Naif's visit has reaffirmed that in Saudi Arabia, morals and beliefs are the main pillar of life," the paper said. "These characteristics of Saudi Arabia ensure the continuity of Saudi diplomacy and the respect with which it is viewed worldwide."

tions are founded on only one concept — that of giving by the United States.

"Those who desire peace and justice are looking forward to the day in which the United States will reassess its policies and behave more objectively, taking into serious consideration its national and security interests," the paper said.

In this way it may be able to regain its reputation as a defender of liberties, rather than repression and colonial occupation. We want the U.S. to stand up for human rights not only Israeli but Palestinian ones as well, protect national sovereignties and fight aggression and injustice.

"We are still hopeful that the U.S. will do that someday and reassert the noble precepts on which it was founded," the paper said.

Saying that economic power was the basis for international

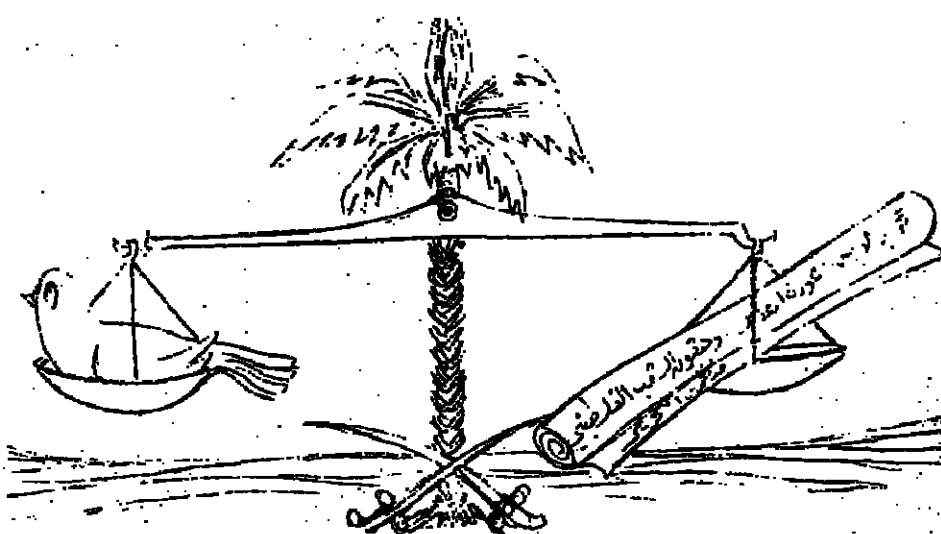
relations and influence, Al-Nadwa cited the development of American-Chinese relations as an example of changing political attitudes. "For 30 years the U.S. portrayed the Chinese government as a bloodthirsty communist regime in which human rights were mercilessly denied. But those charges have been still in favor of commercial relations. The Soviet Union, too, gave a lot of concessions in order to secure American wheat by permitting emigration."

"The Arabs are no less effective economically than the Soviet Union or China," the paper said. "If they can use their economic clout properly they are bound to persuade the government and the American people to be more just in their attitude to the Arab-Israeli conflict. They may some day realize that they are sacrificing too much for a state that has been

founded on aggression and continues to live on it," the paper said.

Hailing the Vienna meeting between PLO leader Yasser Arafat and Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky and former West German leader Willy Brandt Al-Jadrah said "it was significant in that it served notice to all concerned that the peace treaty between Egypt and Israel does not work towards a Middle East settlement. The reason is that the peace formula did not take into consideration the most important element in the process, which is the Palestinian people."

"But who gave the green light to the Vienna conferences and the Socialist International to play such a serious game?" the paper wondered. "They could not have met without the approval of the superpowers," it said. "This shows that the Palestinian question is back in the limelight once more."



"Liberation of the land, return of Jerusalem, the rights of the Palestinian people, PLO — Peace" (Al-Riyadh)



## Young Saudis would excel at bobsled and luge, says Olympics official . . .

By Kay Hardy Campbell  
JEDDAH — An invitation to the 1980 Winter Olympics at Lake Placid is to be sent to Prince Faisal, chairman of the Saudi Arabian national Olympic committee, as part of an American's dream to see the Kingdom win a Gold Medal in the 1984 Olympic Games.

Bill Dennebaum, 54, and a member of the 1948 U.S. Olympic bobsled team, is convinced that young Saudis would excel in the high-speed bobsled and luge events. He believes that if a squad started training this coming winter the Kingdom could have a "pretty competitive team" and get "decent results" at the 1984 Olympics.

Dennebaum, who works in data management, has been in Jeddah for the last 13 months, engaged on the Yanbu project.

"The Saudis have a natural leaning towards speed," he says. "I don't know whether they could stand the cold, but modern winter gear makes winter sports easier for athletes."

"There's a streak of daredevil in every Saudi — and that's what you need."

Dennebaum, who comes from Lake Placid in New York state, will be an official on the Lake Placid Olympic organizing committee for the 1980 Winter Olympics, which will be held there next February.

Bobsledding and luge are fast and dangerous sports. Sliders hurt themselves down long "runs" of land-sculpted ice and snow, reaching speeds of close to 100 miles an hour. The surface of the runs is very bumpy, adding to the ruggedness of each ride. A mile run takes just one minute.

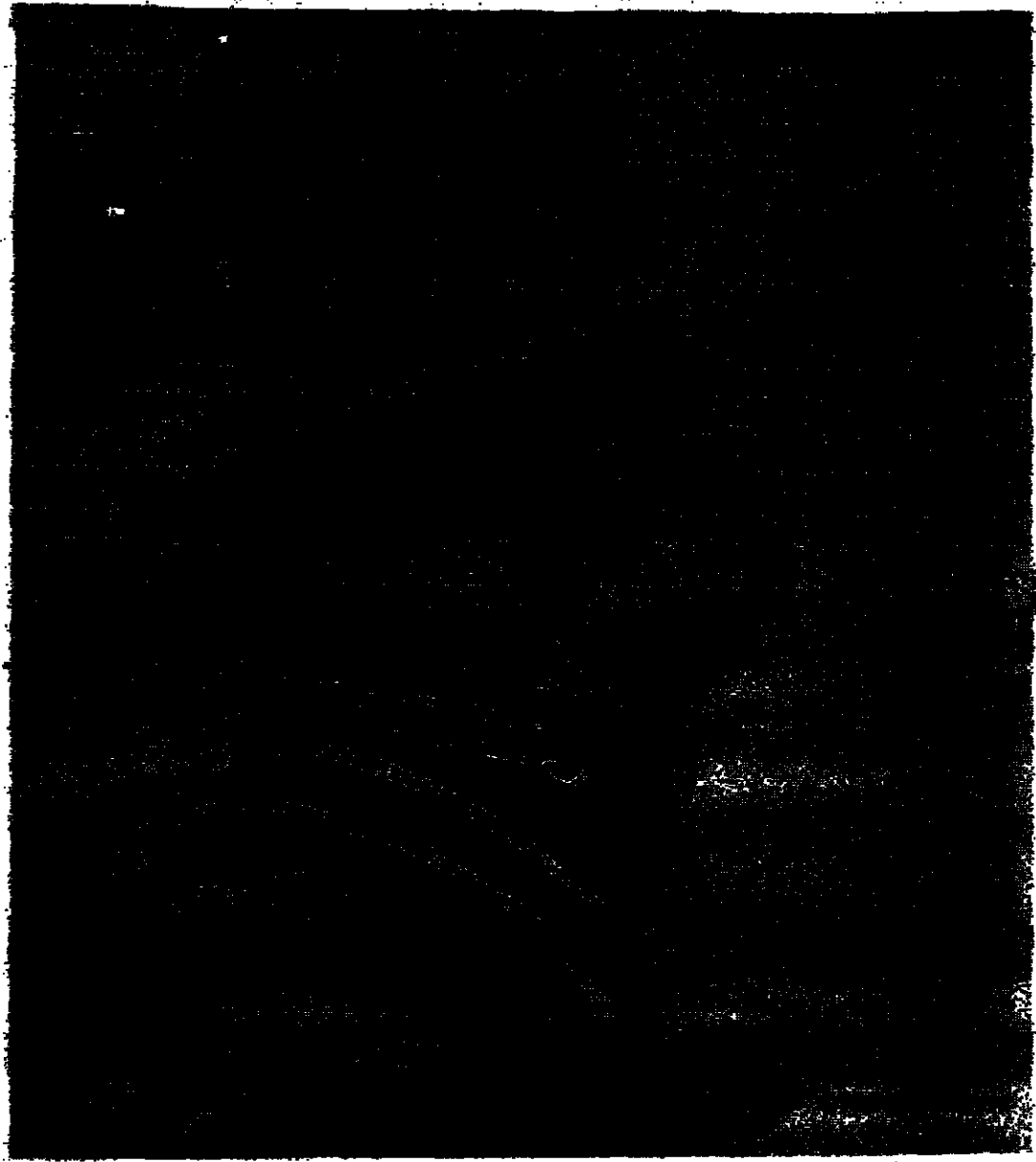
Sliding originated in Alpine practicality. Members of the Roman Legion guarding the Alps used sleds to carry letters between mountain outposts. After the collapse of the Roman empire the Swiss continued to use the "hand-schlitten" (hand sled) for mail delivery and transporting goods.

In the late 19th-century British tourists called them toboggans and began to race them. The French subsequently renamed the vehicle "luge" and in 1902 the first artificial bobsled and luge runs were built at St Moritz.

By 1924 bobsledding was part of the Olympic Winter Games. Luge, however, was not entered until 1964.

A bobsled team consists of four men: the driver, the second and third man, and the brakeman. A "bobbler" is a two-man sled with just driver and brakeman. "The driver is the star of the team — he's the one who gets you down the run safely," says Dennebaum.

The luge is raced by one or



A bobsled roars down a bobsrun newly-refrigerated in preparation for the 1980 Winter Olympics.

two-man teams, the racers lying on their backs, feet first. They have to lift up their heads to see; no easy task at high speeds and on bumpy surfaces.

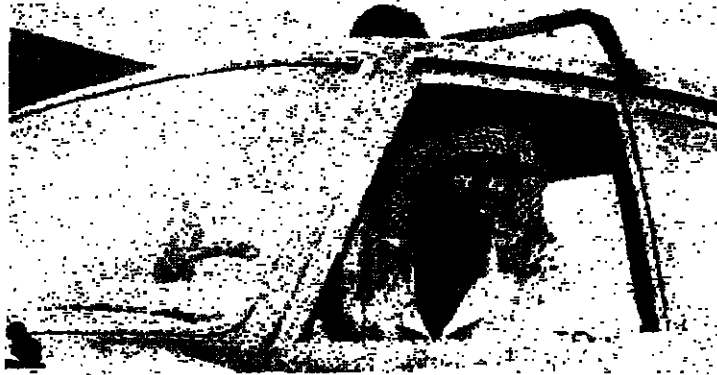
In the early days of sliding, weight was an asset to sliders. It was thought that a heavier team would get down the run faster due to gravity. No longer.

Today, bobsled and luge medals are won for beating the clock by two or three hundredths of a second. Therefore, minute technical refinements can make a great difference in performances. The critical moment of the run is now considered to be the start, when the team pushes the sled off. Consequently, racers who are both light and strong are most in demand.

Says Dennebaum: "The fastest ones off the mark are the winners. All bobsled races are won at the push." Engineering technology has found a niche in sliding, too. Slid-

ers once used blow torches to melt ice under the sled runners to increase the speed. This is now banned. Today each sled has four sets of detachable runners of differing steel composition, for peak

Sliding runs are now internationally regulated, to prevent unduly dangerous curves. The outer rims of these curves are tipped inwards, so sleds are less likely



Jeddah's taxi drivers: "such fantastic depth perception"

operation at different temperatures. The teams polish their runners with jeweler's rouge until they gleam, further reducing fric-

'There's a streak of daredevil in every Saudi — and that's what you need'

Dennebaum feels that young Saudis — small, tough and wiry — would ideally fit the modern sliding requirements. Daring is also a necessity. After high-banked curves, drivers must negotiate their sleds into four-foot-wide shoots at speeds of around 90 miles an hour.

Jeddah's taxi drivers could prove a source of potential champions, considers Dennebaum. "They have such fantastic depth perception. I have been amazed at how they drive through the most improbable spots."

At any one time there are perhaps 30 international caliber sliders. Some countries, like the U.S., are lucky to have ten.

Training a nucleus of 35 to 40 young Saudis would present no problem, says Dennebaum. "During 1980 they could compete in international competition; in 1984 they could enter the Olympics." Beside jogging and weight-



A luger at Lake Placid: medals are won by beating the clock by two or three hundredths of a second.



The racers have to lift up their heads to see; no easy task at high speeds and on bumpy surfaces.

lifting to get the arms and legs into peak condition, sliding training continues throughout the year. Summer training concentrates on building up the team's sled-pushing ability at the start of the run. Sliders practice pushing the bob sleds, which weigh between 530 and 600 pounds, along a sprint track.

For winter training a bobsled and luge run is needed. Ideally a slider should do 200 runs a week. The Saudis, suggests Dennebaum, could use the existing runs in Europe and the U.S. An artificial refrigerated run could be built in the mountains of Lebanon — or even in the mountains around Taif. "But a run near Taif would probably have to be covered, as well as refrigerated."

Like most residents of Lake Placid, Dennebaum has winter sports in his blood. Every year since 1932, the year when Lake Placid last hosted the Winter Games, at least one Lake Placi-

dian has entered the Winter Olympics.

Back home at Lake Placid, Dennebaum will gear his energies towards the 12 days next February when his village will once more be the focus of world-wide attention.

His biggest hope is that he will be able to welcome there Prince Faisal, or a representative of the Saudi Arabian national Olympic committee. Then, he feels, his vision of a Saudi bobsled team just might become a reality.

## . . . But there are troubled waters at Lake Placid

By Anthony Holden  
LAKE PLACID — Next February 13, President Jimmy Carter will travel the winding, two-lane highway through the Adirondack mountains to the tiny village of Lake Placid to open the 1980 Winter Olympic Games.

For Lake Placid's 2,731 inhabitants, the occasion will revive memories of their previous finest hour — the 1932 Winter Olympics, when one of the all-time ice-skating greats, Sonja Henie, won her second Olympic gold. With those memories, however, go fears of an aftermath of extremely expensive problems.

It has become a truism that modern Olympiads cause nothing but enormous headaches, mostly financial to their organisers. In America just now, there is a stark contrast between those cities competing to stage next year's quadrennial political conventions and those — such as Aspen, Colorado, and Los Angeles — which have fought equally hard to avoid staging the Olympics.

The people of Lake Placid rose to the challenge because their village seemed otherwise in danger of extinction. It was not so long ago that their two main hotels

were boarded up, shops were closing in rapid succession, and the menfolk had to leave to find work. In the last two years, Lake Placid has been transformed.

An 11-building Olympic village has sprung up, each building convertible to alternative use once the Games are over. One of those boarded-up hotels has been pulled down and a five-storey Hilton is rising on its site.

Lake Placid still has only one traffic light and 11 policemen, but the Olympic construction and organisation work has provided employment for men and women from all over the state.

The problems that go with such dramatic change have already, of course, begun. The latest financial forecast suggests the staging of the Games will cost some \$190 million — six times the original estimate, though still modest by comparison with the \$700 million spent by Austria on the 1976 Winter Games in Innsbruck.

Already, to local dismay, visiting athletes have complained that the quarters being made ready for them are "claustrophobic little cells." Not surprising, when you learn that the \$22 million Olympic village will become a federal

prison after February. Each two-bedded room, 2 by 3 meters, has a daunting iron bar down the centre of its reinforced glass windows. The electrified 11 barbed-wire fence around the complex is designed to keep out terrorists and then to keep in prisoners.

A visiting engineer has suggested that the new 8,000-seat ice hockey stadium is structurally faulty, and may even collapse, so a \$70,000 independent check is now under way. Two steel contracting firms have gone bankrupt during the building work, and a \$100,000-a-year management consultant has been called in to keep the show on the road.

It was thought that the existing 70-meter ski jump could be used in 1980, if supplemented by a new 90-meter counterpart. But the Olympic authorities have demurred, so a new 70-meter jump — another \$3.7 million — is now under construction.

And so it goes on. Older villagers remember that it took 30 years to pay off the \$350,000 debt left by the 1932 Games. With 1980 costs escalating by the week, they are terrified by the added tax burdens they might inherit next

year. The most pessimistic prediction is a 75 per cent tax increase for the entire county surrounding the mountain resort — enough, believe opponents of the Games, to kill off most of the area's small businesses.

The prospect of such huge long-term debts overshadows the

quick kills enterprising locals will make next year: one man has already rented his five-bedroom house for \$15,000 during the 12-day event, which he will watch on TV in Florida.

Perhaps the saddest aspect of it all is the by now familiar sight of an Olympic community becoming

deeply divided, for and against its imminent projection into the world spotlight.

Community leaders organising the event, led by a local Methodist minister, promise only prosperity, increased tourism, more profit than debts. An increasing proportion of their fellow citizens just don't believe them. — (OFNS)

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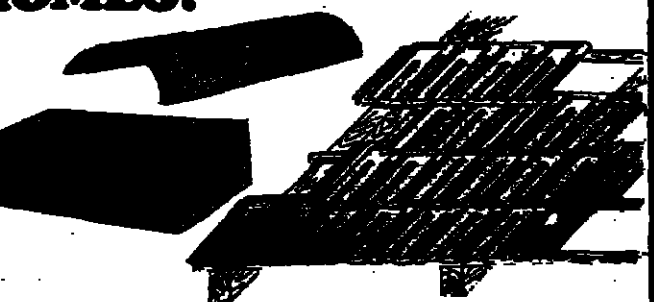
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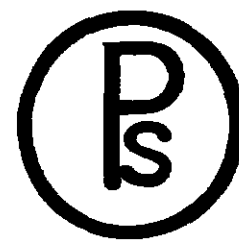


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## Over three minutes

## Hinault stretches Tour lead

LES MENUIRES, France, July 14 (R) — Frenchman Bernard Hinault Friday stretched his lead in the Tour de France to more than three minutes with another majestic ride in the 16th stage.

The 24-year-old Breton, odds-on favorite to win the Tour for the second year in a row, launched a punishing attack as the field climbed towards the finish at Les Menuires after a 199 kilometer mountain haul from Morine.

One by one his rivals dropped back, among them Dutchman Joop Zoetemelk, who was in second place overnight, two minutes 37 seconds behind.

The only man to stay with Hinault was 32-year-old Belgian Lucien van Impe, winner of the Tour in 1976 and one of the most redoubtable climbers in the sport.

Over the last three kilometers, the pair raced shoulder to shoulder, but within sight of the line the diminutive van Impe put in an electric burst to win the stage.

But though the imperious Hinault's pride was momentarily hurt, he can be delighted with a day's work which earned him a further 57 seconds advantage over Zoetemelk, the only rider still

with a realistic chance of beating him.

The long ride from Merzine to this ski station 1,800 meters up in the Alps really burst into life in mid-afternoon when Dutchman Henk Lubberding and Belgium's Eddy Schepers broke away from the pack.

At one point the pair led by one minute 20 seconds, but Hinault's team-mate Lucien Didier of Lux-

embourg launched a counter-attack and by the time the riders began the final climb to Les Menuires they had been pulled back.

It was here that Hinault took control, forcing the pace to such an extent that van Impe and he crossed the line three quarters of an hour before they were expected.

## Victorious U.S. team set to sweep Games

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, July 14 (R) — American athletes, apparently unstoppable despite tough opposition from Cuba and Caribbean nations, were set Saturday to press home their domination of the Pan American Games by collecting another batch of gold medals.

With eight more events to come Saturday the U.S. team has already won more medals than the 41 of four years ago.

There seems nothing to stop them adding up to seven gold

medals to their haul of 20 from 31 events.

They seem certain to win the men's and women's recalls and it looks as if Billy Olsen and Greg Woepse, who have both topped 5.4 meters in the pole vault, will be unbeatable.

They might even win the marathon, despite the absence of Frank Shorter.

The Marathon, set on a route round the old town which the runners will cover three times, promises to be particularly punishing. The start has been put back an hour to miss what is considered there the worst of the baking heat — around 90 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade.

But even at four o'clock in the afternoon the heat and humidity will still be wicked on a largely unshaded course.

The big U.S. hope is Tom Fleming, a 26-year-old from Bloomfield, New Jersey, who ranks fifth in the world. He had a fastest time of two hours 12 minutes 56 seconds this year when he finished fourth in the Boston Marathon.

His rivals should mainly be the Colombians, Hector Rodriguez and Luis Barbosa and the Mexicans, Hilario Alvarez and Angel Legorreta.

In the 1,500 meters six men clocked between three minutes 45.2 seconds and 3:45.8 in the semi-finals.

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FOLLOWS THROUGH: Mike Schmidt of Philadelphia follows through while at bat in a recent game against the San Francisco Giants. He hit a two-run homer to lead the Phillies to a 5-3 win.

## Ryan and Renko

## Angels, Red Sox pitchers near perfect

NEW YORK, July 14 (AP) — Nolan Ryan of the California Angels and Steve Renko of the Boston Red Sox pitched one-hitters Friday night, each losing no-hit bids with one out in the ninth inning.

Ryan, gunning for an unprecedented fifth career no-hitter, lost his on a single by New York's Reggie Jackson, a clean shot up the middle. The fireballing right-hander, who had pitched a pair of two-hitters earlier this season, settled for his seventh career one-hitter and a 6-1 victory over the Yankees.

Renko lost his no-hitter when Oakland's Rickey Henderson hit a line-drive single off the glove of diving first baseman Bob Watson. When he walked Mitchell Page with two outs, Boston manager Don Zimmer yanked Renko. Bill Campbell came on and struck out Dave Revering to end the game, preserving the Red Sox's 2-0 victory and earning his seventh save.

In Chicago, Jerry Morales' tie-breaking homer in the eighth inning led Detroit past the White Sox 3-1. Minnesota, paced by Ken Landreaux's second RBI of the game, scored three runs in the fifth inning and beat Toronto 6-4.

Gorman Thomas' sacrifice fly broke a 17th-inning tie and gave Milwaukee a 4-3 victory over Cleveland. A bases-loaded single with one out in the ninth scored Dan Meyer to give Seattle a 4-3 victory over Baltimore.

In the National League, Warren Cromartie's two-run double capped a five-run seventh inning, leading Montreal to a 10-7 victory over San Diego and a split of their twelfth doubleheader.

Ninth-inning singles by Dave Winfield and Kurt Bevacqua highlighted a three-run rally as the Padres beat the Expos 7-5 in the first game.

In another twinbill, Steve Henderson homered in the opener, then tripled and scored the tie-breaking run on Elliot Maddox' single in the fourth inning of the nightcap and the New York Mets swept San Francisco 7-6 and 5-2.

Jeff Burroughs, Bob Horner and Mike Lum drove in 10 runs with four homers, leading Atlanta to a 13-4 triumph over Pittsburgh.

## England cracks vast 633 for five declared in Test against India

BIRMINGHAM, England, July 14 (R) — An unbeaten double century by 22-year-old David Gower sent England soaring to a massive first innings total of 633 for five declared against India in the first Test at Edgbaston here Friday.

It was England's heaviest total in a home test for 41 years, their sixth highest ever and it left India facing a mighty task to avoid going one down in the four game series.

The Indians finished the second day on 59 for two and their survival almost certainly depends on a powerful innings from Sunil

Gavaskar, the little opening batsman with a history of big scores in test cricket.

The one encouraging factor for India is the pitch, which is playing easily and promises to continue to do so. Gower, for one, batted beautifully on it to make 200 not out in six hours with 24 fours. Geoff Boycott also found it to his liking as he ground out 155 in seven and a half hours.

Kapi Dev alone among the Indian bowlers enjoyed any success, taking all five wickets with his lively medium pace. His final analysis was five for 146 from 48 overs.

In first-class games, Essex, the championship leaders, pulled off an unlikely victory over Nottinghamshire for their eighth victory of the season Friday.

Nottinghamshire, set a modest target of 170, appeared to be cruising home when they reached 87 for the loss of one wicket, but their next nine wickets tumbled for only 36 runs as they crashed to 123 all out.

Spinners Ray East and David Acfield both grabbed five wickets, West Indian allrounder Norbert Phillip cracked a fine 40.

Somerset continued their dogged chase of Essex with a comfortable victory over Warwickshire.

Former England Test star Dennis Amiss hit a superb 79 as Warwickshire set off after a 354 winning total, but off-spinner Vic Marks, five for 77, and seam bowler Colin Dredge, four for 51 saw Somerset home.

## Crystal Palace 10,000 meters goes to Treacy

LONDON, July 14 (R) — John Treacy of Ireland, two-time winner and present holder of the world cross-country championship, dropped down to the 10,000 meters distance Friday night and won the event at the international AAA athletics championships at Crystal Palace.

Treacy, a 22-year-old who aims for an Olympic medal next year, fully justified his being favorite but his time of 28 minutes 12.1 seconds was disappointingly slow. He broke clear from a quarter of runners who had dominated the race some 500 meters from home and held off a late challenge from Alberto Salazar of the United States.

American Clancy Edwards won the 100 meters as expected in a time of 10.35 seconds.

Steve Overt of Britain, who has decided not to defend his "Golden Mile" title in Oslo next Monday night, won a 1,500 meters heat with ease in 3:44.6.

Two men who have a chance to succeed Overt in Oslo, Dave Moorcroft and Sebastian Coe, also won heats of their events.

## Gary Player's son among probables for British Open

LYTHAM ST. ANNES, England, July 14 (R) — Gary Player, the South African who won the British Open golf championship when it was last played at Royal Lytham and St. Annes in 1974, may be joined in the event by his 17-year-old son Wayne when it begins there again next Wednesday.

Wayne Player was among the leaders Friday as some 400 golfers began the two-day qualifying competition for 86 places in next week's main event.

He returned a three-under-par 67 over the Lytham Green course, which was tied for third best among the 135 men jousting there for places next week. He returned six birdies on the first 12 holes and had eleven trees on his card. British golfers Bill Murray with a 65 and Ewen Murray with 66 were the only ones to better his score at Lytham Green.

While young Player was doing well, 34-year-old American Ed Sneed, the man who should have won the U.S. Masters this year before bogeying the final three holes and losing in a playoff, was in danger of not surviving the 36-hole qualifying ordeal.

Playing at St. Annes Old Links, Sneed carded a 73 and was in a snappy mood after missing a string of short putts. His score left him in a 10-way tie for 22nd position on the course which will yield 28 qualifiers for the open.

Best result on that course was 67 by Englishman Gordon Brand, who matched the course record. Former South African PGA champion John Bland was one stroke worse off than Sneed with a 74.



Gary Player

At Fairhaven, the third qualifying course, Japan's 28-year-old Tohru Nakamura led the way in the first round with a 70.

"The course is like a Japanese course. The greens are much better than the ones I played on in last week's Scandinavian Open," Nakamura, second on Japan's order of merit this year, said.

Last week he failed to qualify for the final two rounds of the Scandinavian event. South Africa's Gavin Levenson, who won the Belgian Open this year, was well-placed at Fairhaven after a 74 which was covered by only ten golfers at the course Friday.

Sandy Lyle of Britain, who won the Scandinavian tournament, had a 68 at Lytham Green but South African Bobby Locke, once British Open champion but now 61, had 78 and probably cannot now qualify.

Royal Lytham and St. Annes is felt by many to be the fairest, friendliest and gentlest course on the regular Open rota.

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## Whaling banned in Indian Ocean

LONDON, July 14 (AP) — The 23-nation International Whaling commission ended its annual session early Saturday after making decisions that conservationists said amounted to an end of commercial whaling in the early 1980s. A U.S. bid for a temporary ban on all whaling was defeated. But it powered support for the successful vote to turn the Indian Ocean into a virtual whale sanctuary by a ban on commercial whaling there over an area of 100 million square kilometers. The Seychelles proposed the measure. The Soviet Union, Japan and South Korea objected, and Brazil, Canada and Peru abstained.

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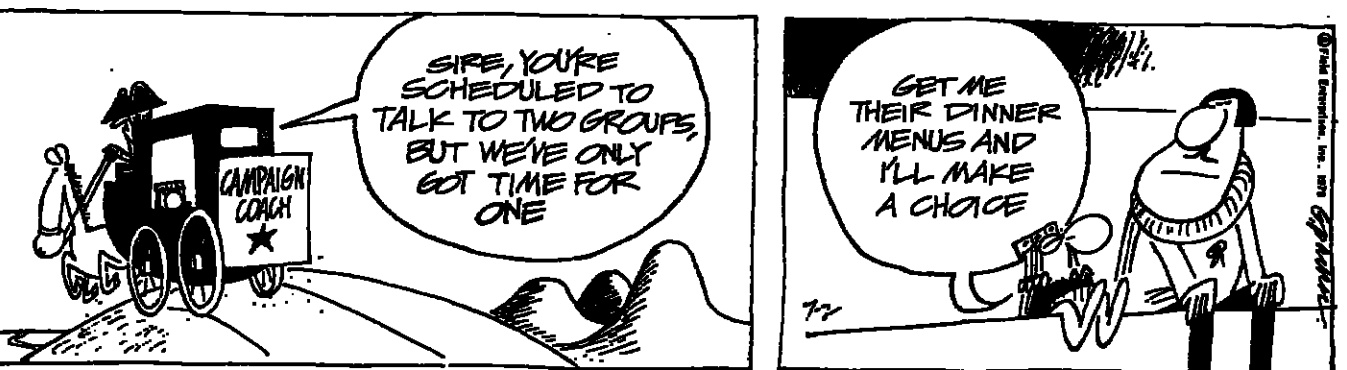
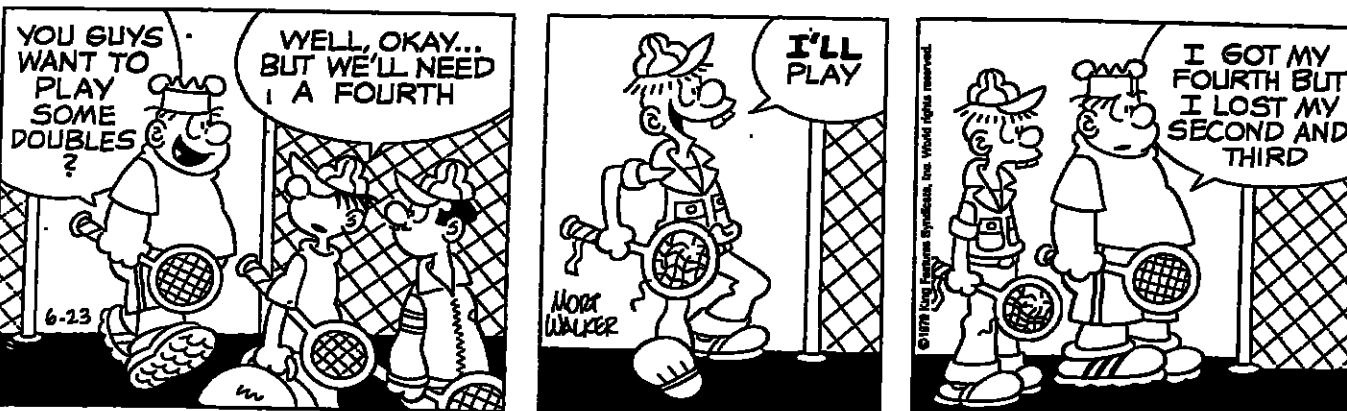
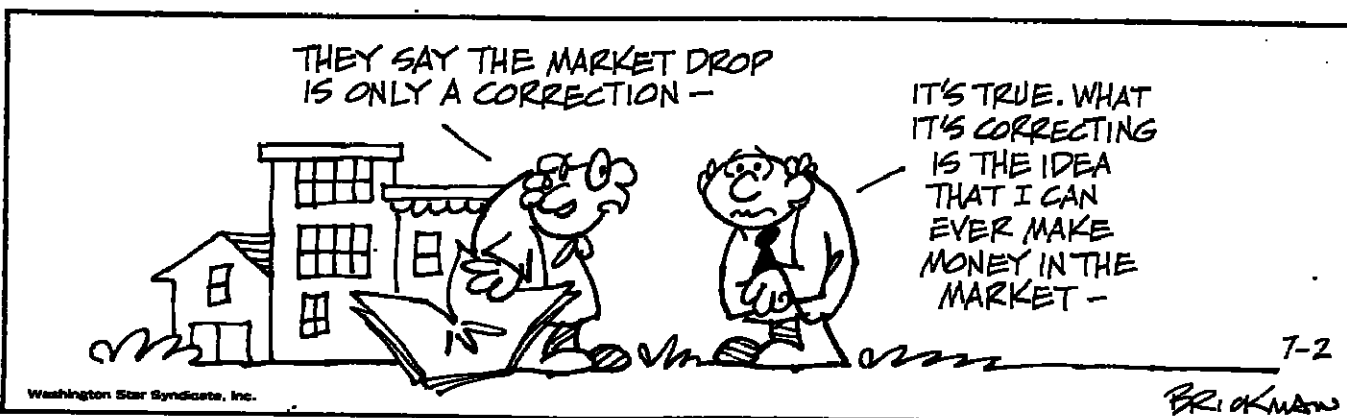
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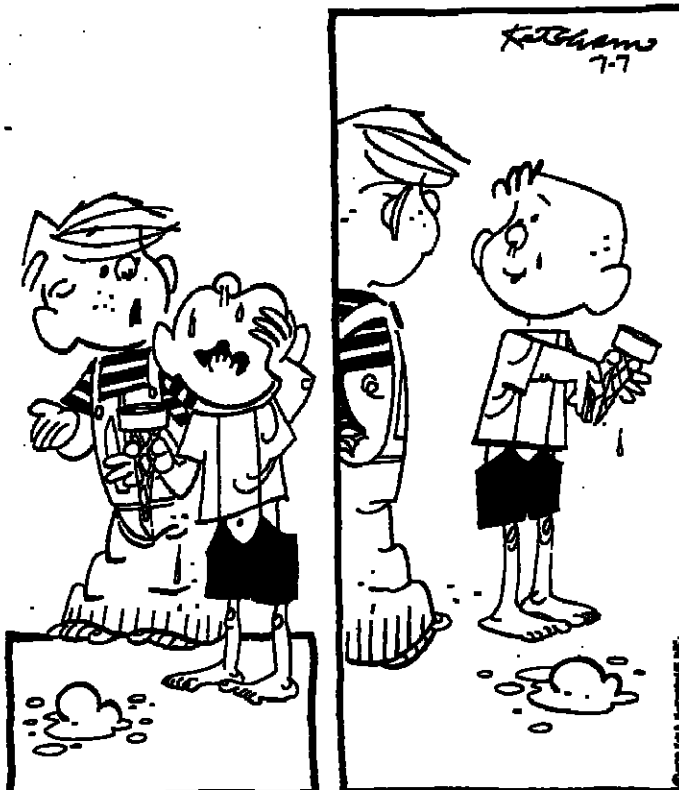
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## Dennis the Menace



## CROSSWORD PUZZLE

## Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Grow, as a vine

6 Who — I

9 Phil or Julie

11 "You — my

12 Destiny"

13 Reunited

14 Algerian

15 Take steps

17 Sub's weapon

18 Regret

20 Patron's

21 "The

22 "The Say

23 "Kid"

24 Willie Mays

25 Just a —

26 Sir the

27 Andrus

28 Jesus of

29 Nazareth,

30 OPEC topic

31 Balanced

32 Turban —

33 In the know

DOWN

1 Cugat's ex

2 Air safety

3 Leprechaun's

4 Generation

5 Chess tactic

6 Choral work

7 Macaw

8 French

9 French city

10 Orchestra

11 French king

12 Without

13 Put forth

14 Barracks

15 Item

16 Dutch

17 Dictatorship

18 Beloved one

19 Patron's

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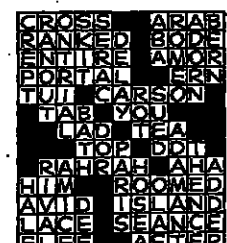
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Saturday's Answer

1 Stay

2 clear

3 Japanese

4 capital

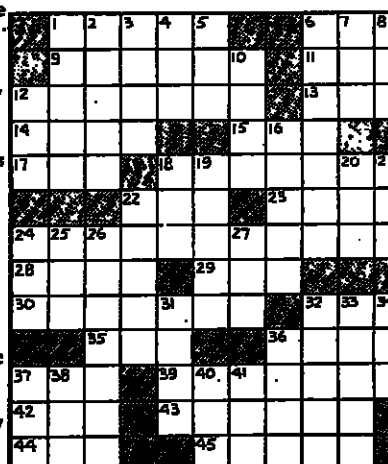
5 Talking

6 bird

7 Bad sound

8 Ego

9 Lehr



DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE — Here's how to work it:

A X Y D B A X

L O N E F L L O W

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

CRYPTOQUOTES

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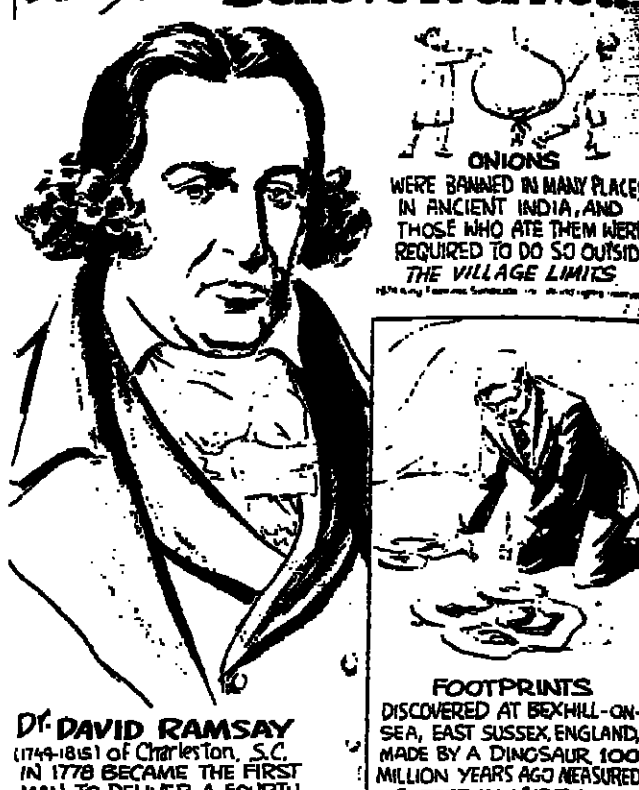
S K A S J C H J A N E J D A S I D S K L

S K X N R J K H R — A X E E X Y G J N E K L

Saturday's Cryptquote: "TALKING TO YOURSELF IS ALL RIGHT AS LONG AS YOU LISTEN." — L. LEVINSON

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## Contract Bridge

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## Bidding Quiz

You are South and the

bidding has gone:

East South West North

1 ♠ 1♥ Pass 2♥

Pass ?

What would you bid now

with each of the following six

hands?

1. ♠K82 ♥K85 ♦K82 ♣K3

2. ♠K82 ♥K85 ♦AQ82 ♣8

3. ♠K82 ♥K85 ♦AQ82 ♣8

4. ♠AQ82 ♥K85 ♦AKJ6 ♣Q

5. ♠J85 ♥AS ♦KQ10 ♣AJ4

6. ♠AJ84 ♥Q8 ♦AKQ5 ♣A54

(This bidding quiz appeared in

"Rate Your Own Game," a

monthly feature of The Bridge

World magazine, together

with the answers given below.

The questions were preceded

by the statement that a single-

jump response to a talent

double is strength-showing but

not forcing. The range for a

jump response is usually 9-11

points; as few as 9 points with

a fair suit, as many as 11

points when forced to jump in

a questionable suit.)

1. Pass. Positionally-

promoted values not-

withstanding, this is a

minimum double with

minimum heart support.

Doubler should have no

thought of reaching game.

2. Three hearts. In spite of

the low point count, this is a

sound raise because of the

playing strength for hearts.

The absence of a club bid by

North in clubs, which suggests

that he has some clubs to ruff,

is a favorable sign.

3. Four hearts. Game cannot

be guaranteed, but with prime

values behind the opener,

good trumps and good ruffing

potential, you would be put-

ting too much pressure on

partner with a mere in-

vitational bid of three hearts.

Your values are such that if a

little luck is needed (such as

two finesses), you will have

more than the usual chance

because of East's opening bid.

4. Two spades. Game must

be reached, but you can't tell

whether it should be bid in

notrump, spades, hearts or

diamonds. Further in-

vestigation is needed and,

since two spades is forcing

and properly descriptive, you

need look no further for the

best way to proceed.

5. Two notrump. This does

not deny the heart support

suggested by your takeout

double; it merely offers

notrump as an alternative

contract. If partner is bidding

mainly on distribution, he can

remove to a suit contract.

6. Three clubs. Three

notrump, with only one club

stopper, would be un-

necessarily precipitate. In-

stead, you force partner to

give you more information —

without yourself sending a

misdescription — by using a

strength-showing cuebid. This

does not affirm or deny in-

terest in hearts — you will

clarify your intentions on the

next round, as by bidding

three notrump, which

following the cuebid, is more

tentative than a direct jump.

## ARAB NEWS CALENDAR

## PRAYER TIMES

Sunday	Fajr	Ishraq	Dhuhr	Asr	Maghreb	Isha
Mecca	4:26	5:53	12:33	3:50	7:08	8:38
Medina	4:14	5:41	12:33	3:55	7:13	8:43
Nejd	3:49	5:19	12:05	3:27	6:45	8:15

## DHAHRAN TV

4:30 Childrens Show	Ses St: 1127, Laff a
5:55 The Monster Squad	Lympics: Ariz
6:19 The Waltons	No Face
7:06 Randall & Hopkirk	Career Girl
Safety Film	The Ghost Talks
8:05 Kojak	Fire Safety Hot Stuff
	Photo Must Credit Joe
	Paxton
8:53 Theater of Stars	In Any Language

## WEATHER

Forecast for the next 24 hours:  
Light northerly winds over the northeastern, central and eastern regions will improve the visibility considerably, but the atmosphere will remain dusty over southwestern parts of the Kingdom, where surface winds are likely to blow easterly to northeasterly at moderate speed. The temperatures will rise gradually over the western region, but the humidity will be low. Surface winds will blow northwesterly to northeasterly raising dust occasionally.  
Sea conditions will be moderate in the territorial waters.

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Saturday's temperatures (maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	42	30	Tabuk	36	22
Jeddah	35	27	Turaif	35	19
Riyadh	42	26	Arar	39	21
Dhahran	43	28	Bisha	39	24
Medina	41	29	Sulayil	42	28
Tai	36	23	Abha	31	23

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## SUNDAY

Afternoon Transmission	10:05 Message to the Faithful
2:00 Opening	10:10 Light Music
2:01 The Holy Quran	10:15 NEWS
2:05 Gems of Guidance	10:25 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle
2:10 A Saudi Tableau	10:30 The World Atlas
2:20 On Islam	11:00 Youth Welfare
2:30 Off the Record	11:10 Music
	11:15 Top of the Pops
3:00 NEWS	11:45 Arabic by Radio
3:10 Press Review	12:00 Imp., Com. & Recollections
3:15 Music	12:10 MUSIC
3:20	12:15 Stay Awake After Midnight
3:30 Leaps & Bounds	12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
3:40 MUSIC	01:00 Close Down
3:50 Close Down	
Evening Transmission	
10:00 Opening	
10:01 The Holy Quran	

## VOA

## P.M.

8:00 News Roundup:	10:05 Opening: Analyses
Reports: Actualities:	News Summary
Opinion: Analyses	10:30 VOC Magazine:
8:30 Dateline	America; Science;
News Summary	Cultural; Letter
9:00 Special English:	11:00 Special English: News
News: Feature. The	11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)
Making of a Nation	
News Summary	VOA WORLD REPORT
9:30 Music USA:	Midnight
(Standards)	12:00 News newsmakers'
10:00 News Roundup:	voices correspondents
Reports: Actualities	reports background
	news analyses.

## BBC

## Morning Transmission

8.00 World News	4.30 The Pleasure's Yours
8.09 * Twenty-Four Hours	5.15 Report on Religion
News Summary	6.00 Radio Newswel
8.30 * Sarah Ward	6.15 * Outlook
8.45 World Today	7.00 World News
9.00 Newswel	7.09 Commentary
9.30 * Opera Star	7.15 * Sherlock Holmes
10.00 World News	7.45 World Today
10.09 Twenty-Four Hours	8.00 World News
News Summary	8.09 * Books and Writers
10.30 * Sarah Ward	8.30 * Take One
10.45 * Something to Show	8.45 Sports Round-up
You	9.00 World News
11.00 World News	9.09 News about Britain
11.09 Reflections	9.15 Radio Newswel
11.15 Piano Style	9.30 Farming World
11.30 Brain of Britain 1978	10.00 Outlook News
12.00 World News	Summary
12.09 British Press Review	10.39 Stock Market Report
12.15 World Today	10.43 Look Ahead
12.30 Financial News	10.45 Ulster in Forces
12.40 Look Ahead	11.00 World News
12.45 The Tony Myatt	11.09 Twenty-Four Hours:
Request Show	News Summary
Evening Transmission	11.30 The Pleasure's Yours
1.15 Ulster in Focus	Midnight Transmission
1.30 Discovery	12.15 Talkabout
2.00 World News	12.45 Nature
2.09 News about Britain	Notebook
2.15 Alphabet of	1.00 World News
Musical Curios	1.09 World Today
2.30 Sports International	1.25 Financial News
2.40 Radio Newswel	1.35 BOOK Choice
3.15 Promende Concert	1.40 Reflections
3.45 Sports Round-up	1.45 Sports Round-up
4.00 World News	2.00 World News
4.09 Twenty-Four Hours:	2.09 Commentary
News Summary	2.15 The Face of England

## Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake

FOR SUNDAY, JULY 15, 1979

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES

(Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

Your zest for life is contagious now. Others are ready

to follow your lead in

pleasurable activities, but

don't let it go to your head.

TAURUS

(Apr. 20 to May 20)

By staying behind the

scenes you'll make your

greatest progress. Don't jump

to negative conclusions if you

don't get immediate feedback.

GEMINI

(May 21 to June 21)

Friends will listen to you

now and you'll make a good

impression on others. Don't



saudi business

- The enormous effort behind your telephone
- Poised for a petrochemicals lift-off
- Kuwait endorses peninsular integration
- The specialty trade of selling toys

# International Finance

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**EXCHANGE RATES  
AND LONDON GOLD** **أسعار العملات والذهب**

	Closing July 12	Closing July 13
Crestedson	336	336
Daewoo	276	276
Seletco	688	555
Sempura	77	77
Philips	205	218
Volkswagen	275	277

	Closing July 12	Closing July 13
Alkal Trading	350	345
Chung Hwa	276	185
Asahi Glass	345	343
Bank of Tokyo	217	217
Philips	644	635
Bridgestone Tire	530	520
Canon	495	480
Cyprus	678	UNQ
Daewoo	900	901
Chung Hwa	115	496
Chong Kung	335	333
Daewoo Printing	535	533
Daewoo Textile	186	181
Daewoo Machine	396	380
Daewoo Paper	338	338
Fuji Photo Film	565	563
Fuji Spinning	123	119
Hallmark	303	303
Hitachi	534	530
Honda Motor	584	589
Hongkong	122	119
Indo	425	427
J.A.L.	280	2920
Kia	280	279
Kumho	921	921
Kia	530	525
Kia	132	123
Kia Brewery	426	416
Kumho	310	301
Kumho	275	274
Kumho	160	159
Mitsubishi Works	495	495
Mitsubishi Bank	340	339
Mitsubishi	168	174
Mitsubishi Electric	175	172
Mitsubishi Estate	405	402
Mitsubishi	160	159
Mitsubishi Corp.	539	535
Mitsui	337	337
Mitsui Estate	552	539
Nicore	124	130
Mitsubishi	447	447
Mitsubishi Electric	590	585
Nicore	174	175
Nippon Electric	526	526
Nippon Fire Insur.	268	268
Nippon Light Metal	212	213
Nippon Soda	645	701
Nippon Oil	1520	1500
Nippon Securities	341	330
Nippon Steel	226	228
Nippon Steel	118	116
Nippon Toshi	345	345
Nippon Yusen	358	341
Nippon Yusen	645	635
Nomura Securities	426	425
Olympus	688	675
Osaka	519	509
Sharp	483	482
Sabaco	1010	1000
Sony	1020	1017
Sanyo	333	339
Sanyo	156	155
Sanyo	128	128
Sanyo	258	258
Sanyo	122	123
Taiwan	217	211
Taiwan	245	241
Taiwan	465	391
Taiwan	132	138
Taiwan	316	308
Taiwan	118	119
Taiwan	510	505
Taiwan	955	900
Taiwan	445	440
Taiwan	156	156
Taiwan	145	141
Taiwan	461	448
Taiwan	889	833
Taiwan	252	253
Taiwan	275	275

SINGAPORE		Closing July 12	Closing July 13
Financials		Price Singapore \$	
Industrial Holdings		316	318
Industrial		195/199nd	
Cycle & Carriage		264	262
East End		414	414
Industrial		515	523
Industrial		515	528
Harper Gillman		330	322/330
Harper Gillman		146	141
Industrial		177	176
Industrial		392	390/396
Industrial		196	197
P.B. Timbers		126	126
Paper Products		126	126
Industrial		426	426/423
Industrial		322	324
Industrial		232/234	235
Industrial		285	285
Industrial		291	290
Industrial		575/585	581
Industrial		143	143
Industrial		155	154/156
Financials			
DES		488	492
Industrial		1200	1200
Industrial		610	615
Industrial		675	678
Industrial		330	330
Industrial		92nd	92nd
Industrial		450	480
Properties			
Central Properties		160nd	160nd
Industrial		121	122
Industrial		144	144
Industrial		384	386
Industrial		175	175
Industrial		287	290
Industrial		810	800
Industrial		132	132
Industrial		132	132
Industrial		UNQ	UNQ

Robbers:			
Banua Lintang Rubber	257	257	257
Fisher Mergers	400	400	400
Kempas (Malaya)	515	515	515
K.L. Kepong	399	390	388
Malaya Mergers	188	188	188
Highlands & Lovlands	410	410	412
Control Plantations	222	222	222

NOTES: Overseas prices shown exclude 5 premium. Belgian dividends are after withholding tax on dividends plus 10%.

1. All prices are in pence unless otherwise stated.

2. Dst 50 denoms. unless otherwise stated, yields are on ex dividends plus 10%.

3. SFr 500 denoms. and Swiss shares unless otherwise stated.

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5. Pstn 500 denoms. unless otherwise stated.

6. Yen 500 denoms. unless otherwise stated.

7. Ex Ergo 10 1/16-1/4 =

	Guilder	Franc	Mark	Franc	Lira	Dollar	Yen
1/4	84-87	3-7	5 13/16-5 15/16	9-10	9 1/2-12 1/2	—	2 15/16-2 3/4
1/2	87-89	4-1	5 15/16-4 1/16	10-11	16-28	10 7/16-10 9/16	2 3/4-3 1/16
3/4	91-93	1-1 1/4	6-6 1/4	11 1/2-11 3/4	14-16 1/2	10 9/16-10 11/16	4 4/16-13 1/16
1	94-97	1 1/4-1 1/2	6 1/4-6 1/2	12-12 1/2	14-16 1/2	10 1/2-10 3/4	5 7/16-5 11/16
1 1/4	101-104	2 1/4-2 1/2	7-7 1/4	12 1/2-13 1/2	16-18	11-10 3/4	6 1/4-6 1/2
1 1/2	104-107	2 7/16-2 1/2	7 1/4-7 1/2	13-13 1/2	17 1/2-19 1/2	10 3/4-10 1/2	6 1/2-6 3/4

EURO-CURRENCY INTEREST RATES											أسعار الفائدة العملات الأوروبية	
July 12	Sterling	U.S. Dollar	Canadian Dollar	Dutch Guilder	Swiss Franc	W. German Mark	French Franc	Italian Lira	Austrian Dollar	Japanese Yen		
Short term	13%-13 1/2%	10%-10 1/2%	9%-10%	8%-8 1/2%	5-5 1/2%	5 1/2%-5 1/2%	9%-10	9%-12%	2 1/2%-2 3/4%	2 1/2%-2 3/4%		
7 days notice	14%-10%	10%-10 1/2%	9%-10%	8%-8 1/2%	5-5 1/2%	5 1/2%-5 1/2%	9%-10	9%-12%	2 1/2%-2 3/4%	2 1/2%-2 3/4%		
Month	14%-14 1/2%	10%-11 1/2%	10%-11 1/2%	9%-9 1/2%	1-1 1/2%	6 1/2%	11%-11 1/2%	14%-16%	3 1/2%-4 1/2%	4 1/2%-4 1/2%		
Three months	14-17 1/2%	10-12 1/2%	10-12 1/2%	9-9 1/2%	1 1/2-1 1/2%	6 1/2-6 1/2%	12-13 1/2%	14-16%	3 1/2-4 1/2%	4 1/2-4 1/2%		
Six months	14%-14 1/2%	10%-10 1/2%	10%-10 1/2%	9%-9 1/2%	2 1/2-2 1/2%	7 1/2%	10-12 1/2%	14-16%	3 1/2-4 1/2%	4 1/2-4 1/2%		
One year	12-13 1/2%	10%-10 1/2%	9 1/2-10 1/2%	8 1/2-9 1/2%	2 1/2-2 1/2%	7 1/2%	10%-12 1/2%	13-14 1/2%	3 1/2-4 1/2%	4 1/2-4 1/2%		

The following nominal rates were quoted for London dollar certificates of deposit: One month 10.47-10.52 per cent; three months 10.52-10.57 per cent; six months 10.52-10.57 per cent; one year 10.11-10.20 per cent.

London Eurodollar deposits two years 10-10 1/2 per cent; three years 9 1/2-10 1/2 per cent; four years 9 per cent; five years 9 1/2 per cent nominal dollar rates. Short-term rates are call for sterling, U.S. dollars and Canadian dollars; two days' notice for guilder and Swiss franc. Asian rates are clearing rates in Singapore.



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**Laker may sue FAA**

## Owners rejoice as DC-10s resume service to America

LONDON, July 14 (Agencies) — Laker Airways and British Caledonian resumed full DC-10 service to the United States Saturday, and it was free refreshments all the way on Laker's Skytrain flights to Los Angeles and New York.

Every seat was reported booked on the wide-bodied DC-10s, banned from U.S. airspace by the Federal Aviation Administration for 37 days. The order followed the May 25 crash of an American Airlines DC-10 on takeoff from Chicago's O'Hare Airport, killing 273 people.

The first DC-10 to leave Gatwick Airport since the FAA lifted the ban Friday was a Laker charter flight to New York on Friday evening. On Saturday Laker Airways, which has six DC-10s and five on order, resumed its cut-rate, no-frills Skytrain service to New York and Los Angeles.

Shortly before departure of the Skytrains, a British Caledonian DC-10 took off from Gatwick for Houston. British Caledonian, another independent airline, operates three of the McDonnell Douglas planes and has eight more on order.

Sir Freddie Laker, Laker chairman who pioneered cut-rate trans-Atlantic air travel, was flying to New York on the second Skytrain and celebrating the lifting of the ban with an in-flight party.

Both Laker, 56, and British Caledonian Chairman Adam

Thomson — like other DC-10 owners — want to sue the FAA to recoup the millions they have lost in revenue by the prolonged grounding of the planes, which they maintained throughout were structurally sound.

FAA Administrator Langhorne Bond said in Washington Friday that a properly maintained and inspected DC-10 is "quite safe — all of us agree on that."

Surrounded by Skytrain passengers at Gatwick, Laker said, "I am absolutely delighted but it is tempered with a great deal of bitterness because of the FAA's ghastly error of judgment in keeping these aircraft on the ground for so long."

"I am waiting to let my lawyers loose on the first authority that pops its head up. I would think that the Federal Aviation Administration is a first-class candidate for legal action."

The earlier legal battles to launch Skytrain lasted five years and cost Laker around \$1 million. He said the FAA ban cost him about 83 per cent of his business, amounting to more than \$15 million and 75,000 passengers. He said he's determined to get it back "no matter how much the legal bills are."

British Caledonian put their loss at \$4.4 million. Chairman Thomson said he saw his DC-10 take off for Houston. "We are delighted to get the aircraft back in the air. We have always

believed it was perfectly airworthy — and we do not think it was totally justified to ground the aircraft for such a long period."

A rough estimate of total worldwide losses suffered by DC-10 operators is \$20 million a day, wrote Michael Donne in the "Financial Times" Saturday.

Within minutes after the ban on the DC-10 was lifted, American airlines put the plane back into service.

Ten minutes after the announcement, United Airlines put a DC-10 into the air from Chicago's O'Hare Airport, where the May 25 crash happened.

The Chicago crash, the worst in U.S. aviation history, occurred after the left wing engine fell off during takeoff. Federal investigators found cracks in the wing attachments of several other DC-10s, which led to the grounding order and stringent inspections.

McDonnell Douglas was ordered to redesign vital components of the jet pylon assembly over the next two years which should avoid repeated costly inspections.

Bond said, "We have resolved to my satisfaction the safety questions raised by the tragic crash of Flight 191 in Chicago, and we have worked out strict measures to assure that such a crash will not occur again."

Asked if he were confident the DC-10 was safe, Bond replied, "I intend to fly on it."



DC-10 FLIES AGAIN: Sir Freddie Laker, elated by the lifting of the ban on DC-10 flights to the U.S., sent his first two Skytrains to New York and Los Angeles on Saturday after over a month of inactivity. Here, one of his planes takes off from London's Fawcett Airport before the ban was ordered.

**Fortune hunters flocking**

## 'Skylab fever' hits W. Australia

PERTH, July 14 (R) — "Skylab fever," similar to the 19th century gold rush swept South Australia Saturday as armed fortune hunters headed into desert to look pieces of the American space station.

Three days after Skylab crashed over South West Australia up to 1,000 people travelled by car, aircraft and on foot to find pieces of metal either to keep as souvenirs or to sell to media, business or government agencies apparently willing to pay a high price for fragments.

Police at Kalgoorlie, a boom town of the 1890s said they had been besieged with applications for miners licenses which allowed them to search sheep ranches in this area of about 1,000 residents without the owners' permission.

At Noondonia Ranch, about 500 miles east of Perth, about 100 people were scouring the property's 320,000 acres where debris is believed to have landed from the American spacecraft which disintegrated over this area on Wednesday night.

Noondonia Manager John Siedler said some searchers were following every movement by his family because they believed the Siedlers would lead them to Skylab pieces.

Siedler said police were on their way to the ranch to protect property and keep people away.

One group arrived on the ranch with two four-wheel drive vehicles, three motorcycles, a caravan and a large trailer.

### Finally, an edible space diet

MOSCOW, July 14 (AP) — For the first time a Russian cosmonaut has gained weight while orbiting in space, the Soviet news agency Tass reported Friday.

The key reason: Tastier, more wholesome space cuisine. Tass said that by contrast with previous space voyagers, who have either lost weight or barely managed to keep it the same, Cosmonaut Valery Ryumin has put on 700 grams (1.5 pounds) since going into space more than four months ago.

Ryumin has been circling the earth along with Cosmonaut Vladimir Lyakhov aboard the Salyut 6 space laboratory.

Early Sunday the pair will break the world space endurance record of 139 days, 14 hours, 48 minutes set by two cosmonaut colleagues last November.

Noondonia owner Pat Prenderville said Skylab hunters drove on to the ranch without asking permission.

"I have chased quite a few of

them and when I catch them they simply wave their miners' rights forms in my face and tell me there is nothing I can do about it," he said.

Police said they were concerned about the number of searchers carrying rifles. They feared shooting accidents or even murder if a dispute broke out over ownership of a Skylab piece.

The searchers were ignoring police warnings about getting lost in the desert country and handling or interfering with the Skylab pieces because of slight radiation. Kalgoorlie police were keeping under guard the largest Skylab piece found, a six foot long half ton cylinder, which will be examined by an American scientific team next week.

Police have appealed to people to hand over Skylab pieces because the fragments might have scientific value.

Police believe some people will not turn in their finds because they fear the fragments will be confiscated.

American officials have said all fragments will be returned after authentication and examination.

Already some lucky searchers have left the area with pieces they hope to sell to newspapers, businessmen universities and state authorities.

The area around Kalgoorlie has a long and colourful tradition of mining searchers.

## Portugal's politicians readying for elections

LISBON, July 14 (AP) — Portugal's warring parties reaffirmed their disagreement Saturday and dug into wait for the nomination of a new prime minister, hours after President Antonio Ramalho Eanes announced he would dissolve parliament and call early elections.

The parties all produced statements in line with their earlier positions following Eanes' nationally televised address late Friday.

None of the five groups represented in the 263-seat National Assembly appeared willing to fight the president's decision to head the country towards an October election.

Two parliamentary parties, the rightwing Social Democrats (PSD) and the Conservative Christian Democrats (COS) said in a joint statement they would only support an interim government.

Former Prime Minister Mario Soares' moderate Socialists, who had opposed dissolution and early

polling, termed Eanes' move "pseudo-solution" to the crisis Portugal's three-year-old democracy. The largest party had sought to form another coalition government, but failed.

The Communists called dissolution "a real perspective towards constitutional and democratic solution to the crisis."

Speculation on the choice of interim prime minister, to replace the caretaker government Prime Minister Carlos Mota Faria, has centered on various non-party figures, but observers point to constitutional expert Maria de Lurdes Pintassilgo as front-runner.

The new cabinet will be Portugal's 11th since the 1976 coup that halted 48 years of rightist rule in the country. The April 1974 army uprising led to six provisional governments, and a step to the radical left, before the constitution was completed and the first constitutional parliament

## Filipino police holding two refugees as agents

LUBANG, Philippines, July 14 (AP) — Filipino police say they are holding as Vietnamese spies two men who arrived on a remote Philippine island with a boatload of refugees from Indochina.

The two are believed to be the first refugees arrested as Communist agents, although the governments of Southeast Asia repeatedly have expressed fears that the outflow of Indochinese "boat people" would be used by Hanoi as a cover for subversion.

Sergeant Jaime Abanque of the Lubang Police said the men, one 20 years old and one 50, were turned over to him by the Philip-

pine air force. "We're not allowed to touch them," he said, adding that he would keep the men behind bars until the air force took them to move them.

Air force documents turned over with the men identified a younger one as Seng Van Tan and the older one as Nguyen Mai. Patrolman Danilo Tapales, who interrogated the men, said the names are Dang Van Tan and Nguyen Mai.

Tapales said both men claimed to be fishermen and that a high school graduate planning to attend college.

## Somalia gets \$ 20.5m in Islamic Bank loans

JEDDAH, July 14 (SPA) — Somalia will receive two loans worth \$20.45 million from the Islamic Development Bank to finance that country's oil bill and a power project.

The Jeddah-based bank said Saturday the first loan of \$20 million will go for crude oil purchases from Iraq. The second loan of \$450,000 is for a study of a power

project for five cities in Somalia.

The loan agreements were signed here Saturday by the Bank's president Dr. Ahmed Muhammad Ali and Somali Finance Minister Mohammed Youssef Weirah.

The 32-nation Muslim bank makes loans to its members on nominal fee to cover loan expenses.

**Crosses Otranto Strait**

## Italian swims to Greece

LEECE, Italy, July 14 (R) — Italian swimmer Paolo Pinto Saturday became the first man to swim the Strait of Otranto — the channel dividing Italy from Greece.

Setting out on Thursday afternoon from Porticiolo di Castro, Italy's most easterly point, Pinto arrived the next morning on the island of Fano, in the Corfu archipelago, after a swim of 39 hours.

The distance in a straight line is 83 kilometers but he probably swam much further because of adverse currents.



DYNAMIC DUO: Ponce the poodle and his owner James Redwine of Seagrave, Texas ride through the streets of Dallas on their motorcycle. Ponce has his own crash helmet and miniature windshield.

**U.S. scientist's claim**

## Smokers said risking years of life

TORONTO, July 14 (AP) — Smokers who average a package a day for 20 years will lose about eight years off their lives, says an American scientist attending the 11th International Congress of Biochemistry.

Bruce Ames, a biochemist at the University of California in Berkeley, said the ingredients in cigarette smoke are relatively weak carcinogens — cancer-causing agents — by weight, but smokers inhale heavy doses.

"When you smoke, you are breathing in close to a gram (of carcinogens) a day," he said.

More than 2,000 laboratories are using a quick test the scientist developed to determine whether a chemical causes mutations in bacteria and therefore is likely to cause cancer. But Ames said he doubts

that any industrial chemical is as much a threat to human health as cigarette smoke.

There are so many substances that cause mutations and carcinogens in the environment that scientists should identify those that cause the greatest risk, he said.

"We're not going to ban them all."

But the threat of man-made chemicals causing cancer is widely misunderstood, the scientist said.

"The hippie notion that everything natural is good and everything synthetic is bad" is nonsense, Ames said. Most cancers seen today have natural causes, whether they are a high-fat diet, sunlight or even substances occurring normally in the human body, he added.

## Chinese defense team in Jeddah

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French Defense Minister Yvon Bourges arrives here Sunday, for an official visit during which he and his delegation are to hold talks with Prince Sultan. They will discuss assistance France can render the Kingdom's defenses.



REMAINS: Two unidentified Australian officials look over what is described as the largest piece of Skylab to have survived its fiery re-entry Wednesday. The chunk of the space craft was found near Kalgoorlie in Western Australia.

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